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AIRCRAFT WASHRACK AREA,  
HOMESTEAD AIR RESERVE BASE, FLORIDA

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#### DECLARATION STATEMENT

FOR THE

RECORD OF DECISION FOR

OPERABLE UNIT NO. 6  
HOMESTEAD AIR RESERVE BASE SUPERFUND SITE

#### SITE NAME AND LOCATION

Homestead Air Reserve Base  
Homestead Dade County, Florida  
Operable Unit No. 6, Site SS-3,  
Aircraft Washrack Area (Former Site SP-7)

#### STATEMENT OF BASIS AND PURPOSE

This decision document presents the selected remedial action for Aircraft Washrack  
Area,  
Operable Unit No. 6 (OU-6), Site SS-3, at Homestead Air Reserve Base (ARB) (formerly

chosen  
is  
based on the administrative record for this site.

Air  
(ROD).  
The State of Florida, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), and the U.S. Force (USAF) concur with the selected remedy presented in this Record of Decision

#### ASSESSMENT OF THE UNIT

by  
Actual or threatened releases of hazardous substances from this site, if not addressed implementing the response action selected in this ROD, may present an imminent and substantial endangerment to public health, welfare, or the environment.

#### DESCRIPTION OF THE SELECTED REMEDY

principal  
localized  
protective of  
the  
Operable Unit No. 6 represents the only unit at Homestead ARB to be addressed by this ROD. This operable unit addresses the source of contaminated soil and groundwater (i.e., LNAPL) and the removal of contaminated soil. This action addresses the threat at the site by removing the contaminated soils and the source, LNAPL. The contaminated groundwater is expected to naturally attenuate to within standards human health and the environment and below acceptable risk soon after the removal of contaminated soil and LNAPL.

The major components of the selected remedy include:

- The  
Fill  
recycling)  
natural
- û Excavation of soil/rock from an approximate 125 ft by 75 ft by 6 ft (2,100 cubic yards) area. The soil is slated for a disposal at a RCRA permitted facility. facility will use off-site thermal desorption technology to treat the waste. material will be brought to the site to return the area to grade.
  - û During the excavation a maximum of approximately 5,600 gallons of LNAPL is expected to be recovered. The LNAPL is slated for energy recovery (i.e., at a facility to be determined.
  - û Groundwater monitoring will be performed at the site for 5 years to show that attenuation will meet performance standards (clean-up levels) applicable to contaminated groundwater.

health                   ũ Five year review to determine whether the site remains protective of human  
and the environment.

protective               ũ Institutional controls to avoid contact with contaminated groundwater until  
levels have been met.

#### STATUTORY DETERMINATIONS

The selected remedy is protective of human health and the environment, complies with  
Federal and State requirements that are legally applicable or relevant and appropriate  
to the  
remedial action, and is cost-effective. This remedy utilizes permanent solutions and  
alternative treatment and resource recovery technologies, to the maximum extent  
practicable,

and satisfies the statutory preference for remedies that employ treatment that reduces  
toxicity, mobility, or volume as a principal element.

Because the remedy will result in hazardous substances remaining on-site above health-  
based  
levels (benzene in groundwater), a review will be conducted within five years after  
adequate  
commencement of remedial action to ensure that the remedy continues to provide  
five  
protection of human health and the environment. The review will be performed every  
years thereafter until protectiveness is achieved.

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
HOMESTEAD AIR RESERVE BASE

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date:\_\_\_\_\_

Homestead Air Reserve Base, Florida  
Operable Unit No. 6, Site SS-3,  
Aircraft Washrack Area  
(Former Site SP-7)

Decision Summary for the  
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DECISION SUMMARY

FOR THE

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1.0 SITE NAME, LOCATION, AND HISTORICAL DESCRIPTION

Homestead Air Reserve Base (ARB) is located approximately 25 miles southwest of Miami and 7 miles east of Homestead in Dade County, Florida (figure 1-1). The main Installation covers approximately 2,916 acres while the surrounding areas are semi-rural. The majority of the Base is surrounded by agricultural land. The land surface at Homestead ARB is relatively flat, with elevations ranging from approximately 5 to 10 feet above mean sea level (msl). The Base is surrounded by a canal that discharges to Military Canal and ultimately into Biscayne Bay approximately 2 miles east.

The Biscayne Aquifer underlies the Base and is the sole source aquifer for potable water in Dade County. Within 3 miles of Homestead ARB an estimated 1,600 people obtain drinking water from the Biscayne Aquifer while 18,000 acres of farmland are irrigated from aquifer wells (USEPA, 1990). All recharge to the aquifer is through rainfall.

Homestead Army Air Field, a predecessor of Homestead Air Reserve Base, was activated in September 1942, when the Caribbean Wing Headquarters took over the air field previously used by Pan American Air Ferries, Inc. The airline had developed the site a few years earlier and used it primarily for pilot training. Prior to that time, the site was

undeveloped. Initially  
transport operated as a staging facility, the field mission was changed in 1943 to training  
pilots and crews.

Base  
In September 1945, a severe hurricane caused extensive damage to the air field. The  
property was then turned over to Dade County and was managed by the Dade County Port  
Authority for the next eight years. During this period, the runways were used by crop  
dusters  
and the buildings housed a few small industrial and commercial operations.

surrounding  
In 1953, the federal government again acquired the airfield, together with some  
property, and rebuilt the Site as a Strategic Air Command (SAC) Base. The Base  
operated  
under SAC until July 1968 when it was changed to the Tactical Air Command (TAC) and  
the

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Headquarters  
4531st Tactical Fighterwing became the new host. The Base was transferred to  
Air Combat Command on June 1, 1992.

on  
In August 1992, Hurricane Andrew struck south Florida causing extensive damage to the  
Base. The Base was placed on the 1993 Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) list and  
slated for realignment with a reduced mission. Air Combat Command departed the Base  
March 31, 1994 with Air Force Reservists activated at the Base on April 1, 1994. The  
482nd  
Reserve Fighter Wing now occupies approximately 1/3 of the Base with the remaining 2/3  
slated for use and oversight by Dade County.

#### 1.1 SITE DESCRIPTION

Building  
OU-6 is the Aircraft Washrack Area, Site SS-3 (former Site SP-7). OU-6/Site SS-3 is  
located in the central portion of Homestead ARB, approximately 720 feet north of  
720 (Figure 1-2). The site covers an area approximately three acres in size and has  
dimensions of approximately 320 feet by 400 feet. The site is bordered on the  
northwest by a  
drainage ditch located parallel to Bikini Boulevard, on the southwest by a low grassy  
swale,  
on the northeast by a ditch, and on the southeast by the asphalt Flight Apron 4047  
(Figure 1-  
3). Stormwater runoff from the Aircraft Washrack and surrounding area is collected in  
the  
drainage ditch and swale located southwest and northeast of the site. The ditch and  
swale

flow to the northwest towards the drainage ditch. The drainage ditch, adjacent and parallel to Bikini Boulevard, flows from southwest to northeast for approximately one mile before draining into the Boundary canal which borders Homestead ARB. One to two feet of water are typically present in the drainage ditch.

Prior to Hurricane Andrew, the site consisted of a covered, concrete and asphalt aircraft washrack structure, a utility building and Building 723. Due to damages experienced during the hurricane, the cover and frame of the washrack are no longer present. The area surrounding the washrack is covered with grass. The site is underlain by heavily weathered limestone bedrock of the Miami Oolite formation, which is typically covered with less than two inches of soil. Approximately 35% of OU-6/Site SS-3 is covered with asphalt and/or concrete.

## 1.2 REGIONAL LAND USE

The area adjacent to Homestead ARB including OU-6/Site SS-3, to the west, east, and south within a half-mile radius is primarily composed of farmland and plant nurseries. Residential

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Woodlands are located within a half-mile to the north and southwest of the Base. are located approximately one-half-mile east of the facility and mangroves and marsh occur adjacent to Biscayne Bay. The Biscayne National Park is located 2 miles east of Homestead ARB; the Everglades National park is located 8 miles west-southwest of the Base; and the Atlantic Ocean is approximately 8 miles east of the Base.

## 1.3 SURFACE HYDROLOGY

Surface hydrology at Homestead ARB, including OU-6/Site SS-3 is controlled by five main factors: 1) relatively impermeable areas covered by runways, buildings and roads; 2) generally high infiltration rates through the relatively thin layer of soil cover; 3) flat topography; 4) generally high infiltration rates through the outcrop locations of the

Miami Oolite Formation; and 5) relatively high precipitation rate compared to evapotranspiration rate. Infiltration is considered to be rapid through surfaces of oolite outcrop and areas with a thin soil layer. Infiltration rates are accelerated by fractures within the oolite, as well as naturally occurring solution channels. Precipitation percolates through the relatively thin vadose zone to locally recharge the unconfined aquifer.

The Natural drainage is limited because the water table occurs at or near land surface. The construction of numerous drainage canals on Homestead ARB has improved surface water drainage and lowered the water table in some areas. Rainfall runoff from within Homestead ARB boundaries is drained via diversion canals to the Boundary Canal.

generally A drainage divide occurs within the Homestead ARB facility property, running from the northern end of the facility, toward the center. Water in the Boundary Canal flows south and east along the western boundary of the property, and south along the eastern boundary, converging at a storm-water reservoir located at the southeastern corner of the Base. Flow out of the stormwater reservoir flows into Military Canal, which, in turn, flows east into Biscayne Bay, approximately 2 miles east of the Base. Water movement is typically not visible in the canals in dry weather due to the lowered water table and the very low surface gradient (0.3 feet per mile) that exists at the Base.

### 13.1 Regional Hydrogeologic Setting

aquifers: The regional hydrogeology in the southeast Florida area consists of two distinct limestone surficial aquifer system, which consists of the Biscayne Aquifer and the Grey Aquifer, and the lower aquifer, the Floridan Aquifer.

Thompson Biscayne Aquifer. The Biscayne Aquifer at Homestead ARB consists of the Miami Oolite, Fort Thompson Formation, and the uppermost part of the Tamiami Formation. In general, the most permeable parts of the aquifer lie within the Miami Oolite and the Fort Thompson Formation.

is a The Biscayne Aquifer underlies all of Dade, Broward, and southeastern Palm Beach Water Counties. The Biscayne Aquifer is the sole source of potable water in Dade County and federally-designated sole-source aquifer pursuant to Section 1425 of the Safe Drinking Act (SDWA). The Biscayne Aquifer supplies drinking water to approximately 2.5 million

people within local communities. All recharge to the aquifer is derived from local rainfall, part of which is lost to evaporation, transpiration, and runoff.

The Biscayne Aquifer has reported transmissivities ranging from approximately 4 to 8 million gallons per day per foot (mgd/ft) (Allman et al., 1979).

Water-table contours indicate that under natural conditions, groundwater flows southeasterly toward Biscayne Bay. The hydraulic gradient is approximately 0.3 ft/mile. The water table at Homestead ARB generally is encountered within 5 to 6 feet of land surface, but may occur at or near land surface during the wet season (May to October). Fluctuations of groundwater levels and local variations in the direction of groundwater flow are due to several factors: (1) differences in infiltration potential, (2) runoff from paved areas, (3) water-level drawdown near pumping wells, (4) significant but localized differences in lithology (e.g., silt-filled cavities) and (5) drainage effects of canals and water-level control structures.

Floridan Aquifer. Underlying the low-permeability sediments of the Tamiami Formation and Hawthorn Group are the formations which constitute the Floridan Aquifer.

The Floridan Aquifer is made up of limestones and dolomites. It is under artesian pressure and water levels in deep wells may rise 30 to 40 ft above ground surface. Groundwater within these Miocene and Eocene age formations tends to contain dissolved constituents at levels significantly above those recommended for drinking water. In view of the poor water quality and the depth of water yielding zones (800 to 900 feet bgs), the Floridan Aquifer is of limited usefulness as a source of potable water supply in the study area.

#### 1.4 SITE GEOLOGY AND HYDROGEOLOGY

The stratigraphy of the shallow aquifer system as determined from soil borings performed during site investigations by Geraghty & Miller (G&M) and Montgomery Watson consists of a surficial weathered Miami Oolite ranging in depth from 2 to 6 feet below ground surface (bgs). The weathered limestone consists of a white to brown semi-consolidated oolitic limestone. This strata is underlain by consolidated to semi-consolidated oolitic and coral limestone interbedded with coarse to fine sand and clayey sand layers and lenses down to the total depth of borings (approximately 40 feet logs).

The Biscayne Aquifer is one of the most transmissive aquifers in the world. It underlies Homestead ARB. A thin vadose zone, nominally less than 5 feet deep, overlays the groundwater table at the site. As previously stated, the aquifer structure is a calcium carbonate matrix. This lithology is known to have natural concentrations of target analyte list (TAL) metals. In descending order by concentration, calcium, aluminum, iron, magnesium, sodium, and potassium can be considered the primary metals of carbonate rock. The other TAL metals occur in trace concentrations, less than 50 milligrams per kilogram (mg/kg). The range and the standard deviations are not provided at this time. It should be expected that, as precipitation infiltrates and recharge takes place, leaching of metal ions from the weathered vadose zone and shallow unsaturated zone occurs. Regional data collected suggest that concentrations of trace metals can be expected to be the greatest in the shallow portion of the aquifer because of the proximity to the source (i.e., the weathering vadose structure) and the decreasing retention time with decreasing depth of the saturated zone. These observations support a hydrogeologic model in which the shallow portion of the aquifer has a greater horizontal transmissivity than the vertical component during recharge events. However, it is not possible, from the available data at the site, to quantitatively differentiate horizontal and vertical components of the aquifer's hydrologic conductivity. The possible presence of vertical solution zones is well documented in literature. The site-specific effects have not been fully investigated. Nevertheless, the available data does not lead to the immediate conclusion that this is a necessary task. The conceptual model, that the shallow groundwater is discharging to ditches, provided sufficient detail to arrive at the remedial decision for Site SS-3.

## 2.0 SITE HISTORY AND ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES

### 2.1 OPERABLE UNIT NO. 6 HISTORY

#### 2.1.2 Past Site Usage

Two above ground storage tanks with capacities of 750 and 1,500 gallons were used to store contaminated oils, hydraulic fluids, spent solvents, and other liquid wastes from the flightline shops. The tanks were located in the western portion of the site, as illustrated on

Figure 1-3.

During storage and removal operations, conducted from 1970 to 1980, frequent spills and overflows onto the ground occurred. Dumping of liquid wastes in the area of OU-6/Site SS-3 were also reported during this time. Once liquid waste disposal operations were halted, the tanks were subsequently removed for off-site disposal in 1980. Soils in the former tank area, which were reportedly discolored at the time of tank removal have either been removed from the site or covered, leaving no visible evidence of waste residue.

## 2.2. ENFORCEMENT HISTORY

### 2.2.1 CERCLA Regulatory History

The Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA) established a national program for responding to releases of hazardous substances into the environment. In anticipation of CERCLA, the Department of Defense (DOD) developed the Installation Restoration Program (IRP) for response actions for potential releases of toxic or hazardous substances at DOD facilities. Like the Environmental

Protection Agency's (EPA's) Superfund Program, the IRP follows the procedures of the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan (NCP). Homestead ARB was already engaged in the IRP Program when it was placed on the National Priorities List (NPL) on August 30, 1990. Cleanup of DOD facilities is paid for by the Defense Environmental Restoration Account (DERA), which is DOD's version of Superfund.

The Superfund Amendment and Reauthorization Act (SARA), enacted in 1986, requires federal facilities to follow NCP guidelines. The NCP was amended in 1990 (see 40 CFR 300 et seq.) to implement CERCLA under SARA. In addition, SARA requires greater EPA involvement and oversight of Federal Facility Cleanups. On March 1, 1991, a Federal Facility Agreement (FFA) was signed by Homestead ARB (formerly Homestead AFB), the

EPA, and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP). The FFA guides the remedial design/remedial action (RD/RA) process.

The purpose of the FFA was to establish a procedural framework and schedule for developing, implementing, and monitoring appropriate response actions at Homestead ARB in accordance with existing regulations. The FFA requires the submittal of several primary and secondary documents for each of the operable units at Homestead ARB. This ROD concludes all of the remedial investigation/feasibility study (RI/FS) requirements for Site SS-3 and selects a remedy for Operable Unit No. 6.

As part of the RI/FS process, Homestead ARB has been actively involved in the Installation

Restoration Program (IRP) since 1983 and has identified 27 Potential Sources of Contamination (PSCs). Nine sites are in various stages of reporting under the RI/FS stage of CERCLA; ten sites are being investigated in the Preliminary Assessment/Site Investigation (PA/SI) stage of CERCLA with three of these sites warranting no further investigation; one site has been closed under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) guidelines; and seven sites are being investigated under the FDEP petroleum contaminated sites criteria (Florida Administrative Code 17-770). Additionally, a RCRA Facility Investigation (RFI) is underway to evaluate numerous solid waste management units (SWMUs) identified during a RCRA Facility Assessment (RFA). The following PSCs are currently being investigated according to the CERCLA RI/FS guidelines:

OU-1	-	Fire Protection Training Area 2 (FT-5)
OU-2	-	Residual Pesticide Disposal Area (OT-11)
OU-3	-	PCB Spill C.E. Storage Compound (SS-13)
OU 4	-	Oil Leakage Behind the Motor Pool (SS-8)
OU-5	-	Electroplating Waste Disposal Area (WP-1)
OU-6	-	Aircraft Washrack Area (SS-3)
OU-7	-	Entomology Storage Area (SS-7)
OU-8	-	Fire Protection Training Area 3 (FT-4)
OU-9	-	Boundary Canal/Military Canal (SD-27)

Operable Unit No. 3, PCB Spill C.E. Storage Compound, has been closed out with the No Further Action ROD in June 1994. All other CERCLA sites at Homestead ARB are currently in various phases of the RI/FS process.

## 2.3 INVESTIGATION HISTORY

### 2.3.1 IRP Phase I - Record Search

An IRP Phase I - Records Search was performed by Engineering Science, and is summarized in their report, dated August 1983 (Engineering Science, 1983). During the Phase I study, sites with the potential for environmental contamination resulting from past waste disposal practices were identified. Thirteen sites of potential concern were identified by reviewing available installation records, interviewing past and present Homestead AFB employees, inventorying wastes generated and handling practices, conducting field inspections, and reviewing geologic and hydrogeologic data. In general, Phase I studies are used to determine if a site requires further investigation.

The thirteen sites identified were ranked using the Hazard Assessment Rating Methodology



(HARM) developed by JRB Associates of McLean, Virginia, for the USEPA. HARM was later modified for application to the Air Force IRP. The following factors are considered in

HARM: (1) the possible receptors of the contaminants; (2) the characteristics of the waste; (3) potential pathways for contaminant migration; and (4) waste management practices. HARM scores for the sites ranked at Homestead AFB ranged from a high of 72 to a low of 7 out of 100. Eight of the 13 sites were determined to have a moderate to high contamination potential, one of which was the Aircraft Washrack. These eight sites were recommended for further investigation. The remaining five sites were determined to have low potential to exhibit environmental contamination.

The IRP Phase I Report evaluated the Aircraft Washrack OU-6/Site SS-3 and assigned a moderate to high HARM score of 69 based on the history of a moderate quantity of liquid wastes used and disposed of at the site, the high potential for contaminant migration in surface and/or groundwaters at the site, the presence of extremely permeable soils and bedrock in the area, and the proximity of the site to a drainage ditch.

#### 2.3.2 IRP Phase II - Confirmation/Quantification

An IRP Phase II study was performed by Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC), and wasted on in March 1986 (SAIC, 1986). The objectives of Phase II are to confirm the presence or absence of contamination, to quantify the extent and degree of contamination, and to determine if remedial actions are necessary. The Aircraft Washrack was included in the Phase II investigation.

A total of three shallow monitoring wells (I-7, I-8, and I-9) were installed at the site during Phase II investigations. Groundwater samples were collected and analyzed for oil and grease, total organic halogens (TOX), and total organic carbon (TOC). At the time of sampling, a floating non-aqueous phase liquid (NAPL) was present in well I-9. A sample of the NAPL was collected and submitted for oil and grease analysis. Although the extent of the contamination could not be delineated, the Phase II investigation indicated that contamination at OU-6/Site SS-3 was primarily attributable to oil and grease and elevated TOC, and the presence of halogenated organic compounds was insignificant. A complete discussion of the methods and results of this study are presented in the Phase II - Confirmation/Quantification Report (SAIC, 1986).

#### 2.3.3 IRP Phase III - Technology Base Development

The IRP Phase III is a research phase and involves technology development for an assessment of environmental impacts. There have been no Phase III tasks conducted at

the

Base to date.

#### 2.3.4 IRP Phase IV - Additional Investigations

The IRP Phase IV investigations consist of two areas of work activity. Phase IV-A involves additional site investigations necessary to meet the Phase II objectives, a review of all management methods and technologies that could possibly remedy site problems, and preparation of a baseline risk assessment to address the potential hazards to human health and the environment associated with the constituents detected at the site. Detailed alternatives are developed and evaluated, and a preferred alternative is selected. The preferred alternative is then described in sufficient detail to serve as a baseline document for initiation of Phase IV-B.

During the Phase IV-A investigation in 1987, G&M installed ten piezometers (WP-1 through WP-10) to delineate the lateral extent and movement of contamination at OU-6/Site SS-3 (Figure 2-1). Organic vapor concentrations were monitored in the piezometers. The highest reading (>9,999 parts per million [ppm]) was recorded in piezometer WP-5, located in the immediate vicinity of the former above ground storage tank locations. Organic vapor concentrations from eight of the remaining nine piezometers ranged from 4.6 to 36.2 ppm. An apparently anomalous reading of 160.3 ppm was recorded at piezometer WP-8. Groundwater from piezometer WP-8 was subsequently determined to be uncontaminated and the organic vapor reading was not considered to be related to any source.

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Three of the piezometers (WP-5, WP-6, and WP-8) were converted to permanent monitoring wells. Nine additional monitoring wells were also installed during the Phase IV-A investigation. Six shallow wells were constructed to depths of approximately 13 feet below land surface (bls) (WGM-1 through WGM-5, and WGM-7), two intermediate wells were constructed to depths of approximately 40 feet bls (WGM-6 and WGM-8), and one deep well was constructed to a depth of approximately 70 feet bls (WGM-9). Groundwater samples from these nine newly installed wells and two of the three existing wells (I-7 and I-8) were collected in March 1987 and analyzed for VOCs (including xylenes), total recoverable petroleum hydrocarbons (TRPH), and total and dissolved lead. Samples from wells I-8 and WP-5 were also analyzed for base neutral/acid extractable compounds (BNAEs).

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well I-9, which contained free product, was not sampled.

Due to an erroneously high field blank laboratory blank, sampler rinsate concentrations, and poor duplicate agreement, the TRPH data collected in 1987 was determined to be invalid and ten of the shallow wells were resampled in May 1987. The May samples were analyzed for C8-C20 hydrocarbons. Additionally, three of the ten wells resampled in May were analyzed for BNAEs (WP-5, WP-6, and I-9). A complete discussion of the methods and results of the Phase IV-A investigation is presented in G&M's 1989 report Remedial Action Plan for Oil Spills at the Aircraft Washrack (SS-3) Homestead Air Force Base, Florida.

### 2.3.5 1990 and 1991 Remedial Investigation

In 1990 and 1991, additional investigations were conducted at OU-6/Site SS-3 by G&M. The investigations included the collection of soil vapor data in 15 soil borings and in two monitoring well borehole locations and the subsequent collection of soil and groundwater samples. The 1990 and 1991 sampling locations are illustrated on Figure 2-2. Five soil samples were collected and submitted for laboratory analysis. Groundwater samples were collected from 20 existing monitoring wells in 1990 and 1991. In addition, sediment and surface water samples were collected from one location within the drainage ditch north-west of the site. Results of the 1990 and 1991 RI are presented in G&M's report Remedial Investigation Report for Site SS-3, Aircraft Washrack Area (Former Site SP-7), October 1992.

### 2.3.6 1993 Remedial Investigation Addendum

In 1993, Montgomery Watson Americas, Inc. performed additional RI activities to evaluate the current soil and groundwater quality with respect to the USEPA target compound

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list/target analyte list (TCL/TAL) and to fill data gaps from the previous field investigations, as well as to evaluate any impacts due to Hurricane Andrew. The 1993 investigation included the drilling of five soil borings, groundwater sampling of seven shallow and one deep monitoring well, and the collection of three sediment and surface water samples.

Sampling locations are illustrated on Figure 2-3.

#### 2.4 COMMUNITY RELATIONS HISTORY

The Remedial Investigation/Baseline Risk Assessment Report and Proposed Plan (PP) for Homestead AFB, OU-6/Site SS-3 were released to the public in June and November 1994, respectively. These documents were made available to the public in both the administrative record and an information repository maintained at the Miami-Dade Community College Library. A public comment period was held from November 8, 1994 to December 22, 1994 as part of the community relations plan for OU-6/Site SS-3. Additionally, a public meeting was held on Tuesday, November 29, 1994, at 7:00 pm at South Dade High School. A Public Notice was published in the Miami Herald and South Dade News Leader on Tuesday, November 22, 1994. At this meeting, the USAF, in coordination with EPA Region IV, FDEP, and Dade County Environmental Resource Management (DERM), was prepared to discuss the Remedial Investigation, the Baseline Risk Assessment, Feasibility Study, and the Preferred Alternative as described in the PP. A response to the comments received during this period is included in the Responsiveness Summary, which is part of this ROD. This decision document presents the selected remedial action for OU-6/Site SS-3 at Homestead ARB, chosen in accordance with CERCLA, as amended by SARA and, to the extent practicable, the National Contingency Plan. The decision for this site is based on the administrative record.

#### 2.5 SCOPE AND ROLE OF RESPONSE ACTION

As with many Superfund sites, the problems at OU-6/Site SS-3 are complex. The contamination at the site is considered to exist as three media:

- One: an immiscible layer (LNAPL) in soil/rock pore space
- Two: contaminated soil/rock
- Three: dissolved constituents in groundwater (contaminant plume)

The response action authorized by this ROD actively addresses the contamination in two of the three media; the LNAPL and the contaminated soil/rock. It is anticipated that excavation

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and disposal of the contaminated soil and extraction of the LNAPL will allow for rapid attenuation of the localized contaminant plume.

The site poses the principal threat to human health and the environment because of the

possible, but unlikely, ingestion of contaminated groundwater. The source of the groundwater contamination is suspected to be the LNAPL and the contaminated soil/rock. The purpose of this response is to eliminate the sources and allow the groundwater to naturally attenuate at an anticipated rapid pace. This alternative offers a permanent solution for the site.

## 2.6 SUMMARY OF SITE CHARACTERISTICS

The Aircraft Washrack Area used to have aboveground storage tanks with capacities of 750 and 1,500 gallons that were used to store used oils, hydraulic fluids, spent solvents, and other liquid wastes from the flightline shops. During storage and removal operations conducted from 1970 to 1980, spills and overflows onto the ground occurred. Dumping of liquid waste in the area of OU-6/Site SS-3 was also reported during this time. The total quantity of organic fluids released to the soil is unknown. Liquid waste disposal operations were halted in 1980; and the tanks were removed for off-site disposal.

Soils in the former tank area, which were reportedly discolored at the time of tank removal, have either been removed from the site or covered, leaving no visible evidence of waste residue.

### 2.6.1 Nature and Extent of Contamination

The following subsections summarize the five previous investigations conducted at OU-6/Site SS-3 and the nature and extent of contamination identified during these investigations.

Subsurface investigations at the site were initiated by SAIC in 1986 (SAIC, 1986). Further soil and groundwater investigations were conducted by G&M in 1987, 1990, and 1991. The results of the 1987 investigation are reported in Remedial Action Plan for Oil Spills at the Aircraft Washrack (SS-3), Homestead Air Force Base, Florida (G&M, 1989). Results of work performed in 1990 and 1991 are reported in Remedial Investigation Report for Site SS-3, Aircraft Washrack Area (Former Site SP-7) (G&M, 1992). Additional data were collected at the site by Montgomery Watson in 1993. The additional Montgomery Watson investigation was conducted in accordance with the approved Facility Work Plan and

Work Plan Addenda (G&M, 1991 a,b,c). A summary of the scope of previous investigations, the current investigation, and a discussion of data collected to date at OU-6/Site SS-3 is presented below.

The initial investigation conducted by SAIC in 1986 included the installation of three groundwater monitoring wells (I-7, I-8, and I-9) in the locations shown on Figure 2-1.

No

soil samples were collected during the well installation; results for groundwater samples are discussed in Section 2.6.3.

Based on the presence of groundwater contamination identified by the SAIC investigation,

G&M performed an investigation in 1987 that included the installation of ten temporary piezometers (WP-1 through WP-10) and the collection of soil vapor samples at each piezometer. The temporary piezometers were located in the vicinity of the suspected

source

area (the former above ground storage tank location), as well as both up- and down-gradient

of the suspected source area, as illustrated on Figure 2-1. The piezometers were constructed

such that the screened intervals intercepted the groundwater surface. Thus, organic vapors

measured in the piezometers reflected off-gassing of volatile organic contaminants in groundwater as well as soil vapor. The highest organic vapor concentrations were identified

in piezometers WP-8 (160.3 ppm) and WP-5 (>9,999 ppm). Based on the results of the vapor survey, piezometers WP-5, WP-6, and WP-8 were converted from temporary piezometers to permanent monitoring wells. Nine additional monitoring wells (WGM-1 through WGM-9) were also installed during this sampling event. Six of the monitoring wells

(WGM-1 through WGM-5 and WGM-7) were completed to depths of approximately 15 feet bls, two wells (WGM-6 and WGM-8) were completed to depths of approximately 35 feet

bls,

and one well (WGM-9) was completed to a depth of 65 feet bls. No soil samples were collected for laboratory analysis during installation of the nine additional monitoring wells.

Results of 1987 groundwater sampling are discussed in Section 2.6.3.

Based on the results of groundwater sampling, additional investigations were conducted by

G&M in 1990 and 1991. The G&M investigations included the collection of soil organic vapor monitoring in 15 boring locations and two monitoring well borehole locations,

and the

subsequent collection of soil and groundwater samples. The 1990 and 1991 sampling locations are illustrated on Figure 2-2. Soil samples were collected from depths of 4

to 6 feet

bls at locations SP7-SL-0002, SP7-SL-0005, SP7-SL-0007, SP7-SL-0008, and SP7-SL-0011. Location SP7-SL-0002 was identified as a background location for the site.

Groundwater

samples were collected from a total of 20 existing monitoring wells in 1990 and 1991.

In

addition, sediment and surface water samples were collected from one location within the

drainage ditch northwest of the site. Results for soil, groundwater, and sediment and surface water samples are discussed in Sections 2.6.2, 2.6.3, and 2.6.4, respectively.

In 1993, Montgomery Watson performed additional investigation of soil, sediment, surface water and groundwater at OU-6/Site SS-3 to fill data gaps and evaluate impacts of Hurricane Andrew. The Montgomery investigation included the drilling of five soil borings, sampling of seven shallow and one deep monitoring well, and collection of three additional sediment and surface water samples. Results for soil, groundwater, and sediment and surface water samples collected during the Montgomery Watson investigation are discussed in Sections 2.6.2, 2.6.3, and 2.6.4, respectively. Sampling locations are illustrated on Figure 2-3.

## 2.6.2 Soil Investigations

This section summarizes data for soils analysis as compiled by G&M in the 1991 investigation (G&M, 1992). Results of soil analyses for the current investigation are discussed for each analytical group (i.e., VOCs, metals, etc.).

2.6.2.1 Volatile Organic Compounds. 1991 Investigation. Laboratory analytical results for the 1991 soils investigation are summarized in Table 2-1; complete analytical results are presented in G&M (1992). The VOCs acetone, ethylbenzene, methylene chloride, styrene, and xylenes were detected in the 1991 soil samples collected from the 4 to 6 feet bls depth interval. Acetone was detected in only the background sample (SP7-SL-0002) at a concentration of 26 micrograms per kilogram ( $\mu\text{g/kg}$ ). This result was qualified because the reported concentration was less than the practical quantitation limit (PQL). Acetone was not detected in the site samples; however, the detection limit for all site samples was above the average background concentration of 713  $\mu\text{g/kg}$  for acetone. The fuel constituent, ethylbenzene, was detected in samples SP7-SL-0007, SP7-SL-0008, and SP7SL-0011 at concentrations of 14,000, 42,000, and 2,400  $\mu\text{g/kg}$ , respectively. All samples were qualified as indicated on Table 4-2. Xylenes, also a fuel constituent, were detected in samples SP7-SL-0005 and its duplicate SP7-SL-9005, SP7-SL-0008, and SP7SL-0011. The maximum concentration of xylene, 71,000  $\mu\text{g/kg}$ , was detected in sample SP7-SL-0005. The borings that contained fuel constituents are located in the vicinity of the former above ground storage tank location where waste fuels and oil were stored (Figure 2-2).

1993 Investigation. One sample, collected from a depth of 1 foot bls in boring SP7-SL-0017, was analyzed for VOCs in the current investigation. Two VOCs, acetone and

methyl ethyl ketone (MEK), were detected. Acetone was reported at concentrations of

TABLE 2-1

ANALYTICAL RESULTS

SUMMARY OF SOIL

SITE SS-3 AIRCRAFT

WASHRACK

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MILLER, 1991

SP7-SL-0005	G&M Sample I.D. SP7-SL-9005 Sampling Date	Average SP7-SL-0007 Carbonate Composition (Hem, 1989)	Average SP7-SL-0008 Homestead ARB Background 4-6 ft bls	SP7-SL-0002 SP7-SL-0011 9/12/91 (Background Sample)
9/13/91	9/13/91	9/13/91	9/13/91	9/13/91
VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS (æ/kg dw);				
	Acetone		-	713
[26]J	<17000	<18000	<17000	
<17000	<16000			
	Ethylbenzene		-	ND
<6.7	<7000	<3400	14000 J	
42000J	[2400]			
	Methylene chloride		-	47.7
[5.3]	[2100]J	3600 J	<3400	
<3400	[3000]			
	Styrene		-	ND
<6.7	<3400	<3400	13000 J	
<3400	<3300			
	Xylenes		-	ND
<6.7	71000 J	50000 J	<3400	
21000J	[11000]			
BASE/NEUTRAL AND ACID EXTRACTABLE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS (æg/kg dw);				
	bis(2-Ethylhexyl)phthalate		-	480
[30]	[500] U	[920] U	<4400	
	<9000	[790] U		
	2-Methylnaphthalene		-	ND
<440	26000	63000	8900	
27000	25000 U			
	Naphthalene		-	ND
<440	15000	36000	4800	
17000	11000			
METALS (mg/kg dw);				
	Aluminum		8970	425
240	670	610	1900	
160	1600			
	Barium		30	5



4.3		5.2	5.6	6.9	4.9	
	4.0					
	Calcium			272000		400000
410000		350000	360000			
400000		360000	400000			
	Chromium			7.1		3.9
3.1		5.2	5.1	<60	<32	
	<64					
	Iron			8190		260
UJ	200 J		180 J	690 J		<160
<170 UJ	910 J					
	Lead			16		1.4
1.4		3.2	<1.4	<0.64	2.5	
	4.1					
	Magnesium			45300		875
840		750	710	690		
500		980				
	Manganese			842		5.4
2.3J		7.7J	7.5J	20J		
1.5J		10J				
	Mercury			0.046		ND
<0.013		<0.013	0.016	<0.013		
<0.013		0.016				
	Sodium			393		910
850		1000	1100	960		
1000		600				
	Vanadium			13		2.3
1.7		2.0	2.0	<60	<32	
	<64					
	Zinc			16		ND
<63		3.1	<2.7	<120	<65	
	<130					
	TOTAL RECOVERABLE					
	PETROLEUM HYDROCARBONS(mg/kg dw)			-		ND
<13		5500				
4800		860	5900	2400		

Source - Geraghty & Mliler, Inc., 1992

mg/kg dw - milligrams per kilogram dry weight

ug/kg dw - micrograms per kilogram dry weight

< Analyte was not detected at or above the indicated concentration.

[] Value is greater than instrument detection limit but less than practical quantitation limit.

J Positive result has been classified as qualitative.

UJ Analyte was not detected. Classified as qualitative.

U Result has been classified as undetected.

5,200 and 9,800 æg/kg, in the soil sample and its duplicate, respectively. The acetone detected during the current investigation has been identified as an artifact of the

degradation

of pesticide-grade isopropanol used during field decontamination procedures.

Isopropanol samples were analyzed and found to contain acetone at concentrations up to 120,000 µg/L. Results of the isopropanol analyses are discussed in the Quality

Control

Summary Report (QCSR). MEK, detected at a concentration of 900 µg/kg, is a common laboratory contaminant and was not present in the soil sample in excess of 5 times the detection limit. It is thus considered to be potentially related to laboratory contamination.

MEK was not detected in the duplicate sample. Details of the data validation process and

subsequent data qualification are presented in the QCSR for the RI, which will be submitted

under separate cover. A summary of VOCs detected in soil/bedrock samples during the 1993 investigation is provided in Table 2-2.

2.6.2.2 Base Neutral/Acid Extractable Compounds. 1991 Investigation. Three BNAs, bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate, 2-methyl-naphthalene, and naphthalene, were identified in the 1991 soil samples. Bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate was detected in the background sample at

a concentration of 30 µg/kg; the result was qualified because it is below the PQL. Concentrations of bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate detected in site soil samples were qualified as undetected based on associated quality control data. The polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbon

(PAH) compounds, 2-methylnaphthalene and naphthalene, were detected in all four site samples and the duplicate sample. These PAHs were not identified in the background sample (SP7-SL-0002). Concentrations of 2-methylnaphthalene ranged from 8,900 µg/kg in

sample SP7-SL-0007 to 63,000 µg/kg in the duplicate of sample SP7-SL-0005. PAH compounds were not detected in the Site SS-3 background sample (SP7-SL-0002) or in samples from the five locations used to establish average background concentrations

for

Homestead AFB. The summary of BNAs detected during the 1991 investigation are included in Table 2-1

1993 Investigation. Of the soil samples collected, only the soil sample SP7-SL-0017 and its duplicate were analyzed for BNAs. A total of twenty BNAs (sixteen PAH compounds, two phthalates, and the petroleum products dibenzofuran and carbazole) were identified (Table 2-

2) in both the soil sample and its duplicate collected from boring SP7-SL-0017. Nineteen of

the compounds detected in soil sample (SP7-SL-0017) were qualified because they were detected at concentrations less than the contract required quantitation limit (CRQL). Reported concentrations ranged from 11 µg/kg to 430 µg/kg in the sample and from 14

µg/kg

to 840 µg/kg in the duplicate. The maximum concentration detected in both samples was

for

TABLE 2-2

## SUMMARY OF CONSTITUENTS DETECTED IN SOIL

SAMPLES				SITE SS-3, AIRCRAFT WASHRACK MONTGOMERY WATSON, 1993 Homestead ARB, Florida							
SP7SL0016		SP7SL0017		SP7SL9017		SP7SL0019		SP7SL0020		Sample ID.	
0-1		0-1		0-2		4-6		CARBONATE		Sample Interval	
3/10/93		3/10/93		3/10/93		(G&M 1992)		(HEM 1988)		3/10/93	
0-1		0-2		4-6		0-2 ft bls		COMPOSITION		Date Collected	
3/10/93		3/10/93		3/10/93		(G&M 1992)		(HEM 1988)		Duplicate	
VOA TCL Compounds (ug/kg)(1)											
9800		NA		NA		119.2		NS		NA	
900 J		<11		NA		NA		<24		NS	
Pesticide/PCB TCL Compounds (ug/kg)(1)											
<3.6		<3.6		<4.0		<2.9		NS		3.9	
0.86 J		1 J		1.1 J		<4.7		NS		8	
0.54 J		1.2 J		0.46 J		<4.7		NS		9.6	
BJ		3.4 BJ		5.7 B		1.9 BJ		<12		NS	
BNA TCL Compounds (ug/kg)(1)											
J		160 J		NA		NA		<390		NS	
J		NA		NA		NA		NA		NS	
320 J		NA		NA		67		NS		NA	
290 J		NA		NA		66		NS		NA	
J		290 J		NA		NA		69		NS	
J		230 J		NA		NA		44		NS	
J		250 J		NA		NA		66		NS	
27 J		23 J		NA		NA		100		NS	
NA		NA		NA		79		NS		NA	
J		NA		NA		79		NS		NA	
J		NA		NA		79		NS		NA	

23 J	Di-n-Butyl Phthalate			<390	NS		NA	
14 J	NA	NA						
	Dibenz(A,H)Anthracene			17	NS		NA	45 J
97 J	NA	NA						
	Dibenzofuran			<390	NS		NA	22 J
45 J	NA	NA						
	Fluoranthene			52.4	NS		NA	430
840	NA	NA						
	Fluorene			<400	NS		NA	41 J 83
J	NA	NA						
	Indeno(1,2,3-C,D)Pyrene			45	NS		NA	110
J	210 J	NA	NA					
	2-Methylnaphthalene			84	NS		NA	11 J 18
J	NA	NA						
	Naphthalene			50	NS		NA	20 J 37
J	NA	NA						
	Phenanthrene			<400	NS		NA	360
J	670	NA	NA					
	Pyrene			49.15	NS		NA	350
J	600	NA	NA					
	Metals (mg/kg)(2)							
	Aluminium			2400	8970		NA	
1010	1250	NA	NA					
	Antimony			30	NS		NA	<3.0 3.1 B
NA	NA							
	Arsenic			1.6	1.8		NA	<1.0 1.1 B
NA	NA							
	Barium			42.9	30		NA	6.2 B
6.5 B	NA	NA						
	Cadmium			2.9	0.048		NA	0.46 B 0.57
B	NA	NA						
	Calcium			345000	272,000		NA	326000
304000	NA	NA						
	Chromium, Total			11.5	>0.1		NA	
6	7.2	NA	NA					
	Copper			3	4.4		NA	1.8 B
2.6 B	NA	NA						
	Iron			1650	8,190		NA	662 E 730
E	NA	NA						
	Lead			4.50	16		NA	46.9
44.1	NA	NA						
	Magnesium			1050	45,300		NA	1490
1680	NA	NA						
	Manganese			23	842		NA	22.7 E 19.9
E	NA	NA						
	Nickel			4.7	13		NA	<1.2
1.9 B	NA	NA						
	Potassium			120	2,390		NA	707 B 640 B
NA	NA							
	Sodium			5.7	398		NA	409 B
422 B	NA	NA						
	Vanadium			5.9	13		NA	4.8 B 4.9
B	NA	NA						

Zinc	20	16	NA	10.6
13.4	NA	NA		

All samples analyzed by Savannah Laboratories, Tallahassee, Florida.  
 <not detected at specified detection limit (1) Data Qualifiers for Organic  
 Compounds (2) Data Qualifiers for Inorganic Compounds  
 NS - no standard J - Estimated Value, <CRQL  
 B - Reading is less than CRQL but greater than IDL  
 NA - not analyzed B - Analytes found in associated  
 blank E - reported value is estimated due to interference  
 Shaded - greater than Background

the PAH fluoranthene. All other BNAs were detected at concentrations less than the fluoranthene results.

BNAs, primarily PAH compounds, have been detected in one shallow surface soil sample and four subsurface soil samples at the site. They were not detected in a background sample (SP7-SL-0002) collected northwest of the site, across Bikini Blvd. on the northwest side of the drainage ditch (Figure 2-2).

2.6.2.3 Organochlorine Pesticides/PCBs. 1991 Investigation. Soil samples collected in the G&M 1991 investigation were not analyzed for pesticides/PCBs.

1993 Investigation. Four soil samples and a duplicate were analyzed for organochlorine (OC) pesticides. No PCBs were detected. The DDT metabolites p,p'-DDE, p,p'-DDD, and p,p'-DDT were detected in four of the samples and the duplicate (Table 2-2). Concentrations of p,p'-DDE ranged from 0.41 to 9.6 µg/kg; p,p'-DDD concentrations ranged from 5.8 to 8 µg/kg; p,p'-DDT concentrations ranged from 1.9 to 11 µg/kg. The highest levels of these compounds were detected in 0-2-foot depth sample at boring SP7-SL-0016. This sample also contained endosulfan sulfate at a concentration of 3.9 µg/kg.

In general, higher levels of pesticides were detected in shallower samples with concentrations decreasing with depth. The highest levels of pesticides detected were found in the 0-2 foot sample from boring SP7-SL-0016, located northwest of the drainage ditch (Figure 2-2). Relatively high levels were also present in the 0-2-foot sample from boring SP7-SL-0019, located in the central portion of the open area northwest of the washrack (Figure 2-3). The 0 to 1-foot sample from boring SP7-SL-0017, located approximately 85 feet southwest of boring SP7-SL-0019, contained lower levels than either of the 0-2-foot samples. Low levels were also detected in the 4 to 6-foot sample from boring

SP7-SL-0020. There are no promulgated federal or state action levels for pesticides in soils; therefore, levels are addressed in a health risk assessment in the Baseline Risk Assessment (BRA) (Montgomery Watson, 1994).

2.6.2.4 Metals and Cyanide. 1991 Investigation. The metals aluminum, barium, calcium, chromium, iron, lead, magnesium, manganese, mercury, sodium, vanadium, and zinc were detected in the 1991 soil samples. The metals detected are summarized in Table 2-1. Aluminum was identified in all site samples at concentrations ranging from 160 milligrams per kilogram (mg/kg) in sample SP7-SL-0008 to 1,900 mg/kg in sample SP7-SL-0007. With the exception of the 160 mg/kg result, all aluminum concentrations were

in excess of both the average Homestead AFB concentration of 425 mg/kg (Table 2-1) and the Site SS-3 background sample (SP7-SL-0002) concentration of 240 mg/kg (Table 2-1).

Barium was detected in all samples at concentrations ranging from 4.0 mg/kg in SP7-SL-0011 to 6.9 mg/kg in SP7-SL-0007. All barium results except that of SP7-SL-

0011 were in excess of the Site SS-3 background result of 4.3 mg/kg; all but two results were in excess of the average Homestead AFB concentration of 5 mg/kg. Calcium levels detected in site soils were below both the Site SS-3 background level and the average for the base.

Chromium was detected in sample SP7-SL-0005 and its duplicate at concentrations of 5.2 and 5.1 mg/kg, respectively. These results are in excess of the site and average base background levels of 3.1 and 3.9 mg/kg, respectively. Chromium detection limits for the remaining three soil samples collected at the site are in excess of background levels.

Iron was detected in two samples (SP7-SL-0007 and SP7-SL-0011) in excess of both the site and the average Homestead AFB background levels. However, all iron results were qualified based on associated quality control measures. Lead was detected in three samples at concentrations ranging from 2.5 to 4.1 mg/kg. All three lead results exceed both the site background result and average Homestead AFB background result of 1.4 mg/kg. Magnesium was detected in only one sample (SP7-SL-0011) in excess of background levels.

Manganese was detected in all but one sample in excess of both the site and the average base background concentration. However, all manganese results were qualified on the basis of associated quality control results. Mercury was detected in two samples, the duplicate (SP7-SL-9005) and SP7-SL-0011, at concentrations of 0.016 mg/kg. These results exceed background levels. Sodium levels in all site samples were in excess of background levels.

Vanadium and zinc were detected at concentrations of 2.0 and 3.1 mg/kg, respectively, in sample SP7-SL-0005. Both results were in excess of background levels (Table 2-1).

sample While several metals were identified at levels above the one site-specific background and the average of the samples from 4 CERCLA sites and 1 RCRA site, (Table 2-1), all metals except sodium were detected at concentrations below their respective average concentration in a carbonate deposit, as reported by Hem (1989).

No cyanide analyses were performed during the 1991 field investigation.

0017) 1993 Investigation. One soil sample collected from a depth of one foot bls (SP7-SL- and a duplicate sample (SP7-SL-9017) were analyzed for metals. Analytical results are presented in Table 2-2. Fourteen metals were detected in the soil sample and seventeen were detected in the duplicate. Cadmium, copper, and vanadium were detected in the SP7-SL-0017 sample; these analytes plus antimony and nickel were detected in the duplicate sample.

detection These five metals were reported at concentrations that are less than the reported limits for the samples used to calculate the average Homestead AFB value. Thus, it is not possible to determine if the reported concentrations exceed naturally-occurring levels (i.e., the average Homestead AFB value for cadmium may be greater than the reported concentrations of 0.46 and 0.57 mg/kg but less than the detection limits of 2.8 to 3.0 mg/kg for the average background samples). Reported concentrations of aluminum, arsenic, barium, calcium, total chromium, iron, manganese, sodium, and zinc are below their respective average concentration in Homestead AFB soils. Lead, magnesium, and potassium were detected at concentrations in excess of their average Homestead AFB background level.

concentration Lead was detected at a concentration of 46.9 mg/kg; the average background for lead is 4.05 mg/kg. Magnesium was detected at concentrations of 1,490 and 1,680 mg/kg in the sample and duplicate sample, respectively. The average Homestead AFB background concentration for magnesium in the 0 to 2 foot bls depth interval is 1,050 mg/kg. Potassium was not detected above 120 mg/kg in the samples used to calculate the average Homestead AFB background concentration. Reported potassium concentrations for the sample and duplicate sample are 707 and 640 mg/kg, respectively.

Thus, Sample SP7-SL-0017 was collected northwest of the former above ground storage tank location, at the approximate location of the 1991 sampling location SP7-SL-0005. results of the two samples provide an indication of the distribution of metals with depth at that location. Results were comparable for most metals detected in both the 0-1 ft

bls sample

(SP7-SL-0005) and the 4-6 ft bls sample (SP7-SL-0005) with the exception of lead.

Lead

was detected in the 0 to 1 foot interval at a concentration of 46.9 mg/kg and in the 4 to 6 foot interval at a concentration of 3.2 mg/kg.

Cyanide was not detected in either the sample or the duplicate.

2.6.2.5 Summary Section for Soils. Contaminants detected in OU-6/Site SS-3 soils include VOCs, BNAs, pesticides, and metals. The VOCs detected (acetone and MEK) are both common laboratory contaminants; the acetone is thought to be related to the decontamination process. BNAs, primarily PAHs, have been detected in shallow soils

and at

depths up to 6 ft bls. DDT metabolites were detected in shallow soils. The metal

arsenic was

identified above the background in the only soil sample analyzed for metals. A

summary of

constituents detected in soil samples in 1993 is presented in Table 2-2.

#### 2.6.3 Groundwater Investigations

The Aircraft Washrack was identified initially during the Phase I IRP. The groundwater

quality at OU-6/Site SS-3 has been monitored during each subsequent phase of investigations

conducted at Homestead AFB. Initial groundwater samples collected from monitoring wells

I-7, I-8, and I-9, by SAIC during Phase II investigations (1984) were analyzed for oil and

grease (O&G), total organic halogens (TOX), and total organic carbon (TOC).

Concentrations of O&G ranged from 0.15 to 732,000 mg/l, with the maximum detection found in the NAPL at monitoring well I-9. Concentrations of TOX and TOC ranged from

10

to 30 µg/L and 62,000 to 170,000 µg/L, respectively.

Groundwater samples analyzed for VOCs from fifteen monitoring wells during the Phase IV

investigations (1987) indicate the presence of benzene, xylene, 1,1-dichloroethane, ethylbenzene and toluene in groundwater at monitoring well I-8. Total BTEX

concentration

detected in groundwater at I-8 was 108.8 µg/L with a benzene concentration of 45 µg/L.

Xylene was detected in groundwater in monitoring well WGM-3 at a concentration of 1.8 µg/L. Monitoring well I-9 was not sampled due to the presence of NAPL.

Based on the analytical results of these previous investigations, additional groundwater

investigations were conducted by G&M in 1990 and 1991. The 1990 groundwater investigation consisted of sampling seven permanent monitoring wells (I-7, I-8, WGM-2, WGM-3, WGM-4, WGM-5, and WP-5). A summary of analytical results from the 1990 groundwater investigation is presented in Table 2-3. The groundwater investigations performed by G&M in 1991, consisted of collecting samples from thirteen permanent



develop a  
included

comprehensive evaluation of the site. Additionally, the 1993 investigation purpose

EQUIPMENT

13572-4  
13572-7

VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS (ug/L):									
Acetone	<25	350 J	320	<25	<25	<25	<25	<25	<25
<25	<25								
Benzene	<5.0	24	24	<5.0	<5.0	<5.0	<5.0	<5.0	<5.0
<5.0	<5.0								

<10                      33      <10

PETROLEUM HYDROCARBONS (mg/L)							
<1.0	<1.0	5.4	<1.0	<1.0	4.5	<1.0	<1.0

ug/ Micrograms per liter  
mg Milligrams per liter

NS Not Standard

NA Not Analyzed

< Analyte was not detected at or above the indicated concentration

J Positive result has been classified as qualitative.

TABLE 2-4  
SUMMARY OF CONSTITUENTS DETECTED IN GROUNDWATER SAMPLES  
COLLECTED IN 1991 AT SITE SS-3, AIRCRAFT WASHRACK  
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SP7-WGM-3	SP7-WGM-6	G&M Sample I.D.	SP7-I-09	SP7-WP-5	SP7-WP-6	SP7-WP-8
		SP7-MW-0013				
Analyte		Savannah I.D.	37571-2	37541-3	37541-2	37541-1
37471-4	37541-6	37541-5				
Sampling Date		11/20/91	11/19/91	11/19/91	11/19/91	
11/19/91	11/15/91	11/19/91				
VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS (ug/L):						
<5.0	<5.0	<5.0	11	<5.0	<5.0	<5.0
	Ethylbenzene		<10	<10	<10	<10
<10						
	2-Hexanone	5.1 J	<5.0	<5.0	<5.0	<5.0
<5.0	<5.0					
	Xylenes					
BASE/NEUTRAL AND ACID EXTRACTABLE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS (ug/L)						
	bis(2-Ethylhexyl)phthalate		<100	[3.8] UJ	[1.4] UJ	[0.76] UJ
<10	[5.8] U [6.0] UJ					
	Butylbenzylphthalate	<100	<10	<10	<10	<10
<10						
	Di-n-octylphthalate	[28] J	<10	<10	<10	<10
<10	<10					
	Dibenzofuran	<100	<10	<10	<10	<10
<10						
	Fluorene	<100	[1.6] J	<10	<10	<10
<10						
	2-Methylnaphthalene	120	31	<10	<10	<10
<10	<10					
	Naphthalene	[70]	27	<10	<10	<10
<10	<10					
METALS (ug/L):						
	Aluminium	<200	1900 J	18000 J	300000 J	4400 J
12000 J						
	Arsenic	<10 UJ	<10 UJ	11 J	<25 UJ	10 J
<10 UJ						

83 J	Barium		<10	27 J	140 J	540 J	40 J	22
<5.0	Beryllium		<5.0	<5.0 UJ	<25 UJ	8.9 J	<5.0 UJ	
	<25 UJ							
1700000 J	Calcium	300000	100000	1300000 J	8600000 J	2300000 J		
	Chromium	3000000 J	<10	19 J	130 J	810 J	45 J	12
54 J								
<10	Cobalt		<10	<10 UJ	<10 UJ	36 J	<10 UJ	
	<10 UJ							
<25	Copper		<25	<25 UJ	<25 UJ	87 J	<25 UJ	
	<25 UJ							
5500 J	Iron		340 J	2100 J	7400 J	2600000 J	4200 J	1300
49 J	Lead		<5.0 UJ	7.7 J	29 J	210 J	16 J	<5.0 UJ
7200 J	Magnesium		2300	3300 J	18000 J	22000 J	6200 J	6300
120 J	Manganese		<10	42 J	120 J	3900 J	77 J	23
<0.20	Mercury		<0.20	<0.20 UJ	0.20 J	0.98 J	<0.20 UJ	
	<0.20 UJ							
<40 UJ	Nickel		<40	<40 UJ	<40 UJ	160 J	<40 UJ	<40
5300	Potassium		3700	2400 J	4200 J	12000 J	3600 UJ	
	2800 J							
UJ	Selenium		<10	<10 UJ	<50 UJ	<50 UJ	<50 UJ	<10
	<50 UJ							
J	Sodium		32000	29000 J	26000 J	31000 J	33000	
	63000	31000 J						
UJ	Thallium		<10 UJ	<10 UJ	<10 UJ	<10 UJ	<50	
	<10 UJ	<10 UJ						
<50 UJ	Vanadium		<10	10 J	79 J	540 J	20 J	<10
<100 UJ	Zinc		<20	<20 UJ	<100 UJ	160 J	22 J	<20
	TOTAL RECOVERABLE							
UJ	PETROLEUM HYDROCARBONS (mg/L)			38 J	18 J	<1.0 UJ	<1.0	
	<1.0 UJ	<1.0 UJ	<1.0 UJ					
NA	TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS (mg/L)			NA	NA	NA	350	
	NA	NA						
NA	BIOCHEMICAL OXYGEN DEMAND (mg/L)		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
NA	TOTAL SUSPENDED SOLIDS (mg/L)			NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	NA							
	ALKALINITY (mg/L)		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

NA							
NA	TOTAL ORGANIC CARBON (mg/L)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
NA							
NA	SULFATE (mg/L)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
NA							
NA	SULFIDE (mg/L)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
NA							
NA	HARDNESS as CaCO3 (mg/L)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
NA							

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TABLE 2-4  
SUMMARY OF CONSTITUENTS DETECTED IN GROUNDWATER SAMPLES  
COLLECTED IN 1991 AT SITE SS-3, AIRCRAFT WASHRACK  
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		G&M Sample I.D.	SP7-MW-0014	SP7-MW-9014		
SP7-MW-0015	SP7-MW-0016	SP7-MW-0017	SP7-MW-0018			
Analyte		Savannah I.D.	37460-16	37460-17	37541-4	
37571-1	37471-1	37471-5				
		Sampling Date	11/14/91	11/14/91	11/19/91	
11/20/91	11/15/91	11/15/91				
VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS (ug/L):			11	15	<5.0	51
<5.0	<5.0					
	Ethylbenzene		<10	<10	<10	89
<10						
	2-Hexanone		14 J	6.6 J	<5.0	21 J
<5.0	<5.0					
	Xylenes					
BASE NEUTRAL AND ACID EXTRACTABLE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS (ug/L)						
	bis(2-Ethylhexyl)phthalate		[5.5] J	[1.9] UJ	[0.68] UJ	
[26] U	<10	[1.1] UJ				
	Butylbenzylphthalate		[0.3] J	10	<10	<100
<10	<10					
	Di-n-octylphthalate		[0.3] J	10	<10	<100
<10	<10					
	Dibenzofuran		<10	[0.5]	<10	<100

<10	<10					
	Fluorene	[1.1]	[1.3] J	<10	<100	
<10	<10					
	2-Methylpaphthalene	32	41	<10	220	<10
<10						
	Naphthalene	37	51	<10	130	<10
<10						
	METALS (ug/L):					
	Aluminum	7100 J	5600 J	7600 J	1500	6300
J	18000					
	Arsenic	<10 UJ	<10 UJ	22 J	<10 UJ	
<10 UJ	<10 UJ					
	Barium	38 J	37 J	29 J	16	50
110 J						
	Beryllium	<5.0 UJ	<5.0 UJ	<5.0 UJ	<5.0	
<5.0 UJ	<25 UJ					
	Calcium	1600000 J	1700000 J	840000 J		
460000	1800000 J	4700000 J				
	Chromium	35 J	39 J	36 J	10	34 J
110 J						
	Cobalt	<10 UJ	<10 UJ	<10 UJ	<10	<10
UJ	<10 UJ					
	Copper	<25 UJ	<25 UJ	<25 UJ	<25	<25
UJ	28 J					
	Iron	4000 J	4000 J	7100 J	850 J	
2400 J	9500 J					
	Lead	11 J	11 J	7.1 J	7.8 J	20 J
40 J						
	Magnesium	5000 J	5300 J	3600 J	2800	5000
J	11000 J					
	Manganese	42 J	45 J	130 J	32	62 J
290 J						
	Mercury	<0.20 UJ	<0.20 UJ	<0.20 UJ	<0.20	
<0.20 UJ	<0.20 UJ					
	Nickel	<40 UJ	<40 UJ	<40 UJ	<40	<40
UJ	<40 UJ					
	Potassium	3100 J	3000 J	3600 J	2800	12000
J	2800 UJ					
	Selenium	<50 UJ	<50 UJ	<10 UJ	<10	
UJ	<10 UJ	<5.0 UJ				
	Sodium	37000 J	36000 J	23000 J		
32000	17000 J	37000 J				
	Thallium	<50 UJ	<50 UJ	<10 UJ	<10	
UJ	<5.0 UJ	<5.0 UJ				
	Vanadium	23 J	20 J	13 J	<10	21 J
<5.0 UJ						
	Zinc	27 J	39 J	<20 UJ	<20	42 J
<100 UJ						
	TOTAL RECOVERABLE					
	PETROLEUM HYDROCARBONS (mg/L)		8.2 J	9.6 J	<1.0	
UJ	120 J	<1.0 UJ	<1.0 UJ			

NA	TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS (mg/L)	430	410	NA	NA
NA	NA				
NA	BIOCHEMICAL OXYGEN DEMAND (mg/L)	55	35	NA	NA
NA	NA				
NA	TOTAL SUSPENDED SOLIDS (mg/L)	4300	2600	NA	NA
NA	NA				
NA	ALKALINITY (mg/L)	440	390	NA	NA
NA	NA				
NA	TOTAL ORGANIC CARBON (mg/L)	65	70	NA	NA
NA	NA				
NA	SULFATE (mg/L)	26	27	NA	NA
NA	NA				
NA	SULFIDE (mg/L)	0.1 UJ	0.1 UJ	NA	NA
NA	NA				
NA	HARDNESS as CaCO3 (mg/L)	4000	3300	NA	NA
NA	NA				
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TABLE 2-4

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COLLECTED IN 1991 AT SITE SS-3, AIRCRAFT WASHRACK  
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0025	G&M Sample I.D.	SP7-DMW-0001	TRIP BLANK	SP7-EB-0024	SP7-EB-
	Analyte	Savannah I.D.	37471-3 /1	37471-2	37541-7
11/19/91	Sampling Date	11/15/91	11/15/91	11/15/91	
	VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS (ug/L):	<5.0	<5.0	<5.0	<5.0
	Ethylbenzene	<10	<10	<10	
	2-Hexanone	<5.0	<5.0	<5.0	
	Xylenes				
	BASE/NEUTRAL AND ACID EXTRACTABLE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS (ug/L)				

	bis(2-Ethylhexyl)phthalate		[0.6] J	NA	[0.8]	[3.8]
	butylbenzylphthalate	<10	NA	<10	<10	
	Di-n-octylphthalate	<10	NA	<10	<10	
	Dibenzofuran	<10	NA	<10	<10	
	Fluorene	<10	NA	<10	<10	
	2-Methylnaphthalene	<10	NA	<10	<10	
	Naphthalene	<10	NA	<10	<10	
	METALS (ug/L):					
	Aluminium	6800 J	NA	<200	<200	
	Arsenic	<10 UJ	NA	<10	<10	
	Barium	50 J	NA	<10	<10	
	Beryllium	<5.0 UJ	NA	<5.0	<5.0	
	Calcium	1800000 J	NA	270	370	
	Chromium	52 J	NA	<10	<10	
	Cobalt	<10 UJ	NA	<10	<10	
	Copper	<25 UJ	NA	<25	<25	
	Iron	5900 J	NA	<50	<50	
	Lead	6.1 J	NA	<5.0	<5.0	
	Magnesium	18000 J	NA	<50	<50	
	Manganese	140 J	NA	<10	<10	
	Mercury	<0.20 UJ	NA	<0.20	<0.20	
	Nickel	<40 UJ	NA	<40	<40	
	Potassium	2400 J	NA	4200		
<1000	Selenium	<5.0 UJ	NA	<10	<10	
	Sodium	41000 J	NA	<500	<500	
	Thallium	<5.0 UJ	NA	<10	<10	
	Vanadium	32 J	NA	<10	<10	
	Zinc	<20 UJ	NA	<20	21	
	TOTAL RECOVERABLE					
UJ	PETROLEUM HYDROCARBONS (mg/L)		<1.0 UJ	NA	<1.0	
	<1.0 UJ					
	TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS (mg/L)					
			NA	NA	NA	NA
	BIOCHEMICAL OXYGEN DEMAND (mg/L)					
			NA	NA	NA	NA
	TOTAL SUSPENDED SOLIDS (mg/L)					
			NA	NA	NA	NA
	ALKALINITY (mg/L)					
		NA	NA	NA	NA	
	TOTAL ORGANIC CARBON (mg/L)					
			NA	NA	NA	NA
	SULFATE (mg/L)					
		NA	NA	NA	NA	
	SULFIDE (mg/L)					
		NA	NA	NA	NA	

HARDNESS as CaCO<sub>3</sub> (mg/L)

NA NA

NA

NA

#### Footnotes

1/ QC Sample (all Trip Blank Samples showed identical results and are associated with preceeding ground-water samples).

ug/L - micrograms per liter

mg/L - milligrams per liter

NS - No Standard

NA - Not Analyzed

< - Analyte was not detected at or above indicated concentration

[] - Value is greater than the instrument detection limit but less than the practical quantitation limit.

J - Positive result has been classified as qualitative

U - Result has been classified as undetected.

UJ - Analyte was not detected. Classified as qualitative

primary and secondary drinking water standards, Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCLs,) and MCL goals (MCLG) (Table 2-5).

2.6.3.1 Volatile Organic Compounds. 1990 and 1991 Investigations. Five VOCs, including benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, xylenes, and acetone, were detected in groundwater samples collected during the 1990 and 1991 field investigations at OU-6/Site SS-3. Benzene was detected in groundwater sample I-8 and its duplicate, a concentration of 24 æg/L, which was above the Federal MCL of 5 æg/L and the Florida Primary Drinking Water Standard and Section 17-770, FAC cleanup target level of 1 æg/L (Tables 2-4 and 2-5). In addition, acetone was detected in sample I-8 and its duplicate at concentrations of 350

and 320 æg/L, respectively. Ethylbenzene was detected in samples I-9, SP7-MW-0014, SP7-MW-9014 (the duplicate of SP7-MW-0014), and SP7-MW-0016 at concentrations of 11, 11, 15, and 51 æg/L, respectively, which are well below the Federal MCL of 700 æg/L. However, these concentrations are above the Florida Groundwater Guidance Concentration of 2 æg/L. Xylenes were detected in samples I-9, SP7-MW-0014, SP7-MW-9014, and SP7-MW-0016 at concentrations of 5.1, 14, 6.6, and 21 æg/L which are below the Federal MCL of 10,000 æg/L and the Florida Groundwater Guidance Concentration of 50 æg/L. Additionally, 2-hexanone was detected in sample SP7-MW-0016 at a concentration of 89 æg/L.

Concentrations of BTEX, detected in all samples except sample SP7-MW-0016, were below the Section 17-770, FAC target cleanup level of 50 æg/L. In 1987, the dissolved BTEX contaminant plume was confined to the vicinity of monitoring well I-8. During the 1990 and 1991 investigation, the dissolved BTEX plume had increased in area and is limited to the vicinity between the former above ground storage tank and the drainage ditch parallel to Bikini Boulevard.

1993 Investigation. Groundwater samples were collected from monitoring wells SP7-MW-0014, SP7-MW-0016, and SP7-MW-0001 and analyzed for TCL VOCs. Groundwater analytical results indicate benzene, ethylbenzene, and total xylene in sample SP7-MW-0016 and its duplicate at concentrations of 38 and 70 æg/L, 120 and 160 æg/L, and 100 and 150 æg/L, respectively. These benzene concentrations are above the Federal MCLs, Florida



Primary Drinking Water Standard and Section 17-770, FAC cleanup target levels. An estimated quantity of acetone was also detected in duplicate sample SP7-MW-90016 at 9 µg/L. Two anomalous values of chloroform were found at an estimated quantity of 1 µg/L in samples SP7-MW-0014 and SP7-DMW-0001. Fourteen TICs were identified in sample

TABLE 2-5

GROUNDWATER QUALITY CRITERIA

Analyte Contaminant	Florida Drinking Water		EPA Florida Drinking 17-1770 Water		EPA Maximum Level	
	Standards		Standards		Level	
Goal						
VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS (ug/L):			700	b	700 i	700 i
Ethylbenzene	NS	NS		NS		NS
2-Hexanone	10,000 k		b		10000 i	10000
Xylenes	1 k	1		5		
Benzenes						
BASE/NEUTRAL AND ACID EXTRACTABLE						
ORGANIC COMPOUNDS (ug/L):						
bis(2-Ethylhexyl)phthalate		6	NS		4f	0 f
Butylbenzylphthalate	1400	NS		NS		NS
Di-n-octylphthalate		10	NS		NS	NS
Dibenzofuran	NS	NS		NS		NS
Fluorene	10	c		NS		NS
2-Methylnapthalene		NS	d		NS	NS
Naphthalene		10	d		NS	NS
Phenanthrene	NS	NS		NS		NS
METALS (ug/L):						
Aluminum	200 l	NS		50 TO 200 h		NS
Arsenic	50 k	NS		50g		NS
Barium	2000 k	NS		2000 i	2000 i	
Beryllium	4	NS		4	4	
Calcium	NS	NS		NS	NS	
Chromium	100 k	NS		100 i	100 i	
Cobalt	NS	NS		NS	NS	
Copper	1000 l	NS		1300 s	1300	
Iron	300 l	NS		300 h	NS	
Lead	15 k	50		15	0	
Magnesium	NS	NS		NS	NS	
Manganese	50 l	NS		50 h	NS	
Mercury	2 k	NS		2 i	2 i	
Nickel	100 k	NS		100 g	100	
Potassium	NS	NS		NS	NS	

Selenium	50	k	NS	50	i	50	i
Sodium	160,000	k	NS	NS			NS
Thallium	2		NS	2/1	f	0.5	f
Vanadium	NS		NS	NS			NS
Zinc	5000	1	NS	5000	h		NS

#### TOTAL RECOVERABLE

PETROLEUM HYDROCARBONS (mg/L)	NS	5	NS	NS
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ug/L - micrograms per liter

mg/L - milligrams per liter

NS - No Standard

b - The total of volatile aromatics (benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene and xylenes) must be <50 ug/L to meet

FAC 17-770 guideli

c - The total of polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons excluding naphthalenes must be <10 ug/L to meet FAC

17-770 guidelines.

d - The total of naphthalenes and methyl naphthalenes must be <100 ug/L to meet FAC 17-770 guidelines.

f - Numbers represent EPA's Proposed Primary MCL or Proposal MCLG, Federal Register, Vol. 55, No.

143, July 1990.

g - Numbers represent EPA's Primary MCL for Inorganics.

h - Numbers represent EPA's Secondary MCL for Inorganics which are non-enforceable taste, odor, or appearance guidelines.

i - Numbers represent EPA's Final MCL effective July 1992, Federal Register, January 30, 1991 and July 1, 1991.

k - Florida Primary Drinking Water Standard.

l - Florida Secondary Drinking Water Standard.

m - Numbers represent EPA's MCL's (July 1992)

s - Final Action Level - The final lead action level is exceeded if the level of lead/copper in more than 10 percent

of the targeted tap samples is greater than the action level (90th percent).

groundwater at SP7-MW-0016 or its duplicate. Groundwater analytical results are provided in Table 2-6.

Laboratory QA/QC data indicate 1,2-dichloropropane concentrations in one equipment blank and two field blanks. Additionally, toluene was detected in one field blank sample. QA/QC results are discussed in the QCSR submitted under separate cover.

2.6.3.2 Base Neutral/Acid Extractable Compounds. 1990 and 1991 Investigations. Seven BNAs were detected in the 22 groundwater samples, including two duplicates, collected at OU-6/Site SS-3 in 1990 and 1991, as shown in Tables 2-3 and 2-4. Three of

these BNAs, fluorene, 2-methylnaphthalene and naphthalene, are PAHs. Fluorene was detected in monitoring wells SP7-MW-0014 and SP7-MW-9014 (the duplicate of SP7-MW-0014) at concentrations of 1.1 and 1.3 æg/L, respectively, which are below the Florida Groundwater Guidance Concentration of 10 æg/L. 2-methylnaphthalene was detected in monitoring wells SP7-MW-0014, SP7-MW-9014 (the duplicate of SP7-MW-0014) and SP7-MW-0016 at concentrations of 32, 41, and 220 æg/L, respectively. Naphthalene was detected in SP7-MW-0014, SP7-MW-9014 (the duplicate of SP7-MW-0014) and SP7-MW-0016 at concentrations of 37, 51, and 130 æg/L, respectively, which exceeds the Florida Groundwater Guidance Concentration of 10 æg/L.

Total naphthalene concentrations were detected in I-8 and WP-5 (collected in 1990) at a maximum concentration of 33 æg/L and I-9, WP-5, SP7-MW-0014, SP7-MW-009014 (the duplicate of SP7-MW-0014), and SP7-MW-0016 (collected in 1991) at concentrations of 190, 58, 69, 92, and 350 æg/L, respectively. The total naphthalene concentrations are below the Section 17-770, FAC cleanup criteria of 100 æg/L except for concentrations detected in I-9 and SP7-MW-0016. Naphthalene concentrations have decreased in WP-5 from 182 æg/L (detected in March 1987) to 27 æg/L (detected in 1991). The decrease in naphthalene concentrations in monitoring well WP-5 between 1987 and 1991 suggests that the naphthalene may be attenuating naturally, probably from aerobic biotransformation.

Additional BNAs (non-PAHs) detected in groundwater samples include BEHP detected in sample SP7-MW-0014 at a concentration of 5.5 æg/L; butylbenzylphthalate detected in sample SP7-MW-0014 at a concentration of 0.3 æg/L; dibenzofuran detected in sample SP7-MW-0014 at a concentration of 0.5 æg/L; and di-n-octylphthalate detected in samples I-9 and SP7-MW-0014 at concentrations of 0.28 and 0.3 æg/L, respectively. The concentrations of these non-PAHs were between the method detection limit and practical quantitation limit. Concentrations of di-n-butylphthalate and butylbenzylphthalate were

TABLE 2-6						
SUMMARY OF CONSTITUENTS DETECTED IN						
GROUNDWATER						
SITE SS-3, AIRCRAFT WASHRACK						
MONTGOMERY WATSON, 1993						
Homestead ARB, Florida						
Analyte		Florida		EPA	EPA	Sample ID
MW-0014		SP7-MW-0017		SP7-MW-0018		SP7-
SP7-MW-0016		SP7-MW-0017		SP7-MW-0018		
Date Sampled		Drinking		Drinking	Maximum	Date Collected
3/2/93	3/2/93	3/2/93	3/2/93	3/2/93		
Duplicate		Water	Water	Contaminant		
		Standards	Standard	Level Goal		

VOA TCL Compounds (ug/l)(1)			NS	NS	NS	<10	
<10	9 J	NA	NA				
	Acetone		1a	5b	NS	<10	38
70	NA	NA					
	Benzene		100af	100fb	NS	1 J	
<10	<10	NA	NA				
	Chloroform		5a	NS	NS	<10	<10
<10	NA	NA					
	1,2-Dichloropropane		1000a	NS	NS	<10	
<10	<10	NA	NA				
	Toluene		700	700b	700	<10	
120	160	NA	NA				
	Ethylbenzene		10,000a	10,000b	10,000	<10	
100	150	NA	NA				
	Xylenes, Total						
Pesticide/PCB TCL Compounds (ug/l)(1)							
	p,p'-DDD		NS	NS	NS	<0.12	<0.11
<0.11	0.032 J	0.025 J					
BNA TCL Compounds (ug/l)(1)							
	Bis (2-Ethylhexyl) phthalate		6a	4b	0	0.8 J	7
J	<230	NA	NA				
	Di-n-Butyl Phthalate		NS	NS	NS	0.4 J	<2.50
<230	NA	NA					
	Di-n-octylphthalate		10a	NS	NS	0.2 J	
<2.50	<230	NA	NA				
	Fluorene		10a	NS	NS	<13	17 J
13 J	NA	NA					
	2-Methylnaphthalene		NS	NS	NS	2 J	
860	810	NA	NA				
	Naphthalene		10a	NS	NS	1 J	
480	480	NA	NA				
	Phenanthrene		NS	NS	NS	<13	8 J
7 J	NA	NA					
Total Metals (ug/l)(2)							
	Aluminum		200 c	50-200b	NS	<20.0	23.9
B	30.5 B	NA	NA				
	Barium		2000a	2000b	2000	6.6 B	
7.2 B	7.6 B	NA	NA				
	Cadmium		5a	5b	5	<2.0	3.5 B
<2.0	NA	NA					
	Calcium		NS	NS	NS	77,600	
89,400	87,900	NA	NA				
	Copper		1000c	1300b	1300	<2.0	
6.2 B	5.6 B	NA	NA				
	Iron		300c	300d	NS	42.3 B	81.5 B
78.5 B	NA	NA					
	Lead		15a	15e	0	<3.0	3.4
5.2	NA	NA					
	Magnesium		NS	NS	NS	2,270 B	2,300

B	2,300 B	NA	NA						
	Manganese		50c	50d	NS		<1.0	5.6 B	
5.6 B	NA	NA							
	Nickel		100a	100b		100			<6.0
<6.0	6.6 B	NA	NA						
	Potassium		NS	NS	NS		4,160 B		
4,080	3,950	NA	NA						
	Sodium		160000a	NS		NS			
29,500	29,200	29,000	NA		NA				
	Zinc		5000c	5000b	NS		12.3 B	13.6	
B	23	NA	NA						
Dissolved Metals (ug/l)(2)									
	Aluminium		NS	NS	NS		21.2 B		
<20.0	<20.0	NA		NA					
	Barium		NS	NS	NS		7.2 B	5.7	
B	5.7 B	NA	NA						
	Calcium		NS	NS	NS		79,500		
87,200	86,000	NA		NA					
	Copper		NS	NS	NS		<2.0	3.9 B	
2.8 B	NA	NA							
	Iron		NS	NS	NS		42.9 B	57.9 B	
64.1 B	NA	NA							
	Magnesium		NS	NS	NS		2,290 B	2,290	
B	2,290 B	NA	NA						
	Manganese		NS	NS	NS		1.1 B	4.9 B	
4.9 B	NA	NA							
	Potassium		NS	NS	NS		4,490 B	3,960	
B	4,020 B	NA	NA						
	Sodium		NS	NS	NS		29,700		
29,000	28,600	NA		NA					
	Zinc		NS	NS	NS		34.7	40.8	
10.0									
B	NA	NA							

All samples analyzed by Savannah Laboratories, Tallahassee, Florida.

< - not detected at specified limit

(1) Date Qualifiers for Organic

Compounds (2) Data

Qualifiers for Inorganic Compounds

NS - no standard

J - estimated quantity, quality

B - Reading is less than CRQL

NA - not analyzed

control criteria

were not met.

but greater

than IDL.

Shaded - greater than Regulatory Standards

#### Notes:

a Florida Primary Drinking Water Standard.

b EPA Primary MCL.

c Florida Secondary Drinking Water Standard.

d EPA Secondary MCL - non-enforceable guidance values

e Final Action Level - final lead action level is exceed if level of lead/copper in more

than 10 %

of the targeted tap samples is greater than action level (90th%)  
f Value is for Total Trihalomethanes

TABLE 2-6

SUMMARY OF CONSTITUENTS DETECTED IN

GROUNDWATER

SITE SS-3, AIRCRAFT WASHRACK  
MONTGOMERY WATSON, 1993  
Homestead ARB, Florida  
CONTINUED

SP7-DMW-0001		Analyte		Florida EPA		EPA	Sample ID	
SP7-EB-001		SP7-FB-0001		SP7-FB-0002				
Date Sampled		Date Sampled		Drinking		Drinking	Maximum	Date
Collected		3/3/93		3/8/93		3/8/93		
		Water		Water		Contaminant		
QC	QC	QC						
			Standards	Standard	Level	Goal		
VOA TCL (Compounds) (ug/l)(1)								
				NS	NS	NS		<10
<10	<10	<10						
				1a	5b	NS		<10
<10	<10	<10						
				100af	100fb	NS		
1 J	<10	<10	<10					
				5a	NS	NS		
<10	2 J	4 J	4 J					
				1000a	NS	NS		<10
<10	1 J	<10						
				700a	700b	700		<10
<10	<10	<10						
				10,000a	10,000B	10,000		
<10	<10	<10	<10					
Pesticide/PCB TCL Compounds (ug/l)(1)								
				NS	NS	NS		<10
<0.10	<.10	<10						
BNA TCL Compounds (ug/l)(1)								
					6a	4a	0	
0.4 J	0.6 J	0.3 J	<10					
				NS	NS	NS		1 J
<10	<10	<10						
				10a	NS	NS		
<11	<10	<10	<10					
				10a	NS	NS		<11
<10	<10	<10						
				NS	NS	NS		

0.6 J	<10	<10	<10			
	Naphthalene		10a	NS	NS	
0.6 J	<10	<10	<10			
	Phenanthrene		NS	NS	NS	<11
<10	<10	<10				
Total Metals (ug/l)(2)						
	Aluminum		200 c	50-200b	NS	
44 B	<20.0	<20.0	<20.0			
	Barium		2000a	2000b	2000	11.1 B
<1.0	<1.0	<1.0				
	Cadmium		5a	5b	5	<2.0
<2.0	<2.0	<2.0				
	Calcium		NS	NS	NS	83,800
45.1 B	120 B	107 B				
	Copper		1000c	1300b	1300	2.8 B
2.2 B	9.0 B	<2.0				
	Iron		300c	300d	NS	17.5 B
<7.0	8.9 B	7.8 B				
	Lead		15a	15e	0	<3.0
<3.0	<3.0	<3.0				
	Magnesium		NS	NS	NS	3,670 B
<30.0	<30.0	<30.0				
	Manganese		50c	50d	NS	<1.0
<1.0	<1.0	<1.0				
	Nickel		100a	100b	100	<6.0
<6.0	33.8 B	<6.0				
	Potassium		NS	NS	NS	5,810
<325	<32.5	<325				
	Sodium		160000a	NS	NS	30,500
34.4 B	43.2 B	<30.0				
	Zinc		5000c	5000b	NS	11.8 B
9.0 B	68.6	33				
Dissolved Metals (ug/l)(2)						
	Aluminum		NS	NS	NS	<20.0
<20.0	NA	NA				
	Barium		NS	NS	NS	10.8 B
<5.0	NA	NA				
	Calcium		NS	NS	NS	79,000
<20.0	NA	NA				
	Copper		NS	NS	NS	<2.0
<2.0	NA	NA				
	Iron		NS	NS	NS	<7.0
13.6 B	NA	NA				
	Magnesium		NS	NS	NS	3,560 B
<1.0	NA	NA				
	Manganese		NS	NS	NS	<1.0
<6.0	NA	NA				
	Potassium		NS	NS	NS	5,560
42.2 B	NA	NA				
	Sodium		NS	NS	NS	29,900
<3.0	NA	NA				
	Zinc		NS	NS	NS	19.5 B

4.7 B                    NA                    NA

All samples analyzed by Savannah Laboratories, Tallahassee, Florida.

< - not detected at specified quantitation limit                    (1) Data Qualifiers for

Organic

Compounds

(2) Data Qualifiers for Inorganic Compounds

NS - no standard

J - estimated quantity, quality

B - Reading is less than CRQL

NA - not analyzed

control criteria were not

met.

but greater than IDL.

QC - Quality Control Sample

Shaded - greater than Regulatory Standards

Notes:

a Florida Primary Drinking Water Standard.

b EPA Primary MCL.

c Florida Secondary Drinking Water Standard.

d EPA Secondary MCL non-enforceable guidance values

e Final Action Level - final lead action level is exceeded if level of lead/copper in more than 10 %

of the targeted tap samples is greater than action level(90th%)

f Value is for Toxic Trihelomethanes

below the Florida Groundwater Guidance Concentration of 10 and 1,400 æg/L, respectively

(Tables 2-4 and 2-5). The concentrations of di(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate (DEPH) in samples

SP7-MW-0014 and SP7-MW-0016 were above the proposed Federal Primary MCL of 4 æg/L. In addition, the concentration of DEPH in sample SP7-MW-0016 was above the Florida Groundwater Guidance Concentration of 14 æg/L.

one 1993 Investigation. A total of seven BNAs were detected in the three groundwater and

duplicate sample (SP7-DMW-0001, SP7-MW-0014, SP7-MW-0016, and SP7-MW-9016) collected in the 1993 OU-6/Site SS-3 groundwater investigation. Naphthalene and 2-methylnaphthalene (PAH compounds) were detected in each sample at concentrations ranging from 0.6 to 480 æg/L and 0.6 to 860 mg/l, respectively. Total naphthalene concentrations have decreased in sample SP7-MW-0014 fhm 92 to 3 æg/L between 1991 and 1993. Total naphthalene concentrations in sample SP7-MW-0016 (1340 æg/L) and its duplicate SP7-MW-9016 (1,290 æg/L) exceed the Florida Groundwater Guidance Concentration of 10 æg/L and the 17-770 target level of 100 æg/L. Total naphthalene concentrations have significantly increased in SP7-MW-0016 between 1991 and 1993. Fluorene and phenanthrene, also PAH compounds, were found in SP7-MW-0016 and its duplicate with a maximum concentration of 17 and 8 æg/L, respectively.

maximum Bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate was detected in all samples excluding the duplicate at a

0001 concentration of 7 æg/L. Di-n-butyl phthalate was detected in the samples SP7-DMW-

and SP7-MW-0014 at concentrations of 1 and 0.4 æg/L, respectively, and di-n-octyl phthalate was found at SP7-MW-0014 at 0.2 æg/L. The summary of BNAs detected in 1993 is provided in Table 2-6.



Six TICs were identified in the groundwater samples at Site SS-3.

2.6.3.3 Organochlorine Pesticides/PCBs. 1990 and 1991 Investigations Groundwater samples were not previously analyzed for organochloride pesticides/PCBs in the 1990 and 1991 investigation.

1993 Investigation. Groundwater samples from eight monitoring wells (I-8, I-9, SP7-MW-0013, SP7-MW-0014, SP7-MW-0016 (SP7-MW-9016, duplicate), SP7-MW-0017, SP7-MW-0018, and SP7-DMW-0001) were analyzed for OC pesticides/PCBs. The DDT metabolite, p,p'-DDD was the only detected OC pesticide found in two OU-6/Site SS-3 wells. Samples SP7-MW-0017 and SP7-MW-0018 contained detectable concentrations of 0.032 and 0.025 µg/L, respectively. These concentrations are estimated because they

are less than the CRQL. PCBs were not detected in any samples collected in 1993. The summary of OC pesticides/PCBs is presented in Table 2-6.

2.6.3.4 Inorganic Compounds. No metals analyses were performed on groundwater during the 1990 field investigation program conducted by G&M. Total metals analyses were performed on 1991 samples. Groundwater samples collected in 1991 identified the following metals as present in all of the monitoring wells including WP-6 and WP-8 (the background wells): aluminum, barium, beryllium, calcium, chromium, cobalt, copper, iron, magnesium, manganese, potassium, sodium, thallium, vanadium, zinc, lead, mercury, and arsenic. Calcium, magnesium, and potassium were detected in the 14 groundwater samples including the duplicate sample analyzed for TAL metals; however, no groundwater quality standards or guidelines exist for these metals (Table 2-3). Groundwater samples WP-5, WP-6, WP-8, WGM-3, SP7-MW-0013, SP7-MW-0014, SP7-MW-9014 (the duplicate of SP7-MW-0014), SP7-MW-0017, SP-MW0018, and SP7-DMW-0001 contained very high concentrations of total calcium, 1,300,000, 8,600,000, 2,300,000, 1,700,000, 3,000,000, 1,600,000, 1,700,000, 1,800,000, 4,700,000, and 1,800,000 µg/L, respectively, in addition to significant concentrations of many other TAL metals. The sampling logs for all 15 samples indicate that the samples were turbid when collected. It is possible that the high TAL metal concentrations, particularly that of calcium, are a result of suspended sediments and thereby overstate the actual concentrations of the analyses at the site (G&M, 1992). Calcium concentrations reported for groundwater samples collected in 1991, including the duplicate sample, ranged from 100,000 to 8,600,000 µg/L. These concentrations are much higher than the range of dissolved calcium concentrations (55,000 to 140,000 µg/L) reported in the

Biscayne Aquifer by Sonntag (1987) except for the calcium concentration of 100,000 æg/L detected in sample I-9.

Mercury was detected in samples WP-6 and WP-8 (the background samples) at concentrations of 0.20 and 0.98 æg/L, respectively, which is below the Florida Primary Drinking Water Standard and Federal MCL for drinking water of 2 æg/L for mercury. Arsenic was detected in samples WP-6 (a background sample), WGM-3, and SP7-MW-0015, at concentrations of 11, 10, and 22 æg/L which are well below the Florida Primary Drinking Water Standard and Federal MCL for drinking water of 50 æg/L for arsenic (Table 2-5). Barium was detected in all samples collected, except for sample I-9, at concentrations ranging from 16 to 540 æg/L which are well below the Florida Primary Drinking Water Standard and Federal MCL for drinking water of 2000 æg/L.

Chromium concentrations were detected above the Florida Primary Drinking Water Standard and the Federal MCL for drinking water of 100 æg/L in three of these samples: background samples WP-6 and WP-8, and in sample SP7-MW-0018 with concentrations of 130, 810, and 110 æg/L, respectively.

Copper was detected in two samples, WP-8 (a background sample) and SP7-MW-0018, at concentrations of 87 and 28 æg/L, respectively, which are below the Florida Secondary Drinking Water Standard of 1,000 æg/L and the Federal Action Level of 1,300 æg/L. Sodium was detected in all wells sampled at concentrations ranging from 17,000 to 63,000 æg/L which were well below the Florida Primary Drinking Water Standard of 160,000 æg/L.

Lead was detected in all of the monitoring wells except for I-9 and WGM-6, with concentrations ranging from 6.1 to 210 æg/L. Six samples, background samples WP-6 and WP-8, WGM-3, SP7-MW-0013, SP7-MW-0017 and SP7-MW-0018, contained lead concentrations which exceeded the Federal Action Level for lead of 15 æg/L. Additionally, one of these samples, WP-8 (a background sample), contained lead concentrations above 50 æg/L. Concentrations of lead detected in groundwater samples WP-6, WP-8, and WGM-3 (210, 29, and 16 æg/L, respectively), collected in 1991, were higher than concentrations detected in the same wells sampled in 1987. WP-6, WP-8, and WGM-3 were reported to have been very turbid or showed high turbidity on the sampling logs. The higher lead concentrations detected in 1991 may be the result of the suspended sediments and thereby overstate the actual concentration of lead at the site.

Beryllium was detected in one sample, WP-8 (the background sample), at a concentration of 8.9 æg/L which exceeds the Florida Groundwater Guidance Concentration of æg/L and the Federal MCL for drinking water of 1 æg/L. Nickel was detected in one sample, WP-8 (a background sample), at a concentration of 160 æg/L, which exceeds the Florida Groundwater Guidance Concentration and the Federal MCL of 100 æg/L. Additionally, the sulfate concentration detected in sample SP7-MW-0014 (26 æg/L) and its duplicate, sample

SP7-MW-9014 (27 µg/L), were below the Florida Groundwater Guidance Concentration of 250 µg/L and the proposed Federal MCL for drinking water of 250 µg/L.

Federal Secondary Drinking Water Regulations establish recommended limits and deal with the aesthetic qualities of drinking water; however, the FDEP has adopted these standards as the Florida Secondary Drinking Water Standards and requires that potable groundwater shall meet these recommended limits. Iron, which is naturally high in the Biscayne Aquifer and commonly exceeds the Florida Standard Secondary Drinking Water Standard

(Sonntag, 1987), was detected in all of the monitoring wells sampled for TAL metals at concentrations ranging from 340 µg/L to 260,000 µg/L which exceeded the Federal Secondary MCL for drinking water and the Florida Secondary Drinking Water Standard of 300 µg/L (Table 2-5). The Federal Secondary MCL for drinking water and Florida Secondary Drinking Water Standard for manganese (50 µg/L) was exceeded in seven samples, WP-6 and WP-8 (the background samples), WGM-3, SP7-MW-0013, SP7-MW-0015, SP7-MW-0017, SP7-MW-0018, and SP7-DMW-0001, at concentrations of 120, 3,900, 77, 120, 130, 62, 290, and 140 µg/L, respectively. Aluminum was detected

in all samples at concentrations ranging from 1,400 to 300,000 µg/L. The Federal Secondary MCL

for aluminum (50 to 200 µg/L) was exceeded in all samples, except I-9. Zinc was detected in five samples, WP-8 (a background sample), WGM-3, SP7-MW-0014, SP7-MW-9014, and SP7-MW-0017 at concentrations ranging from 22 to 160 µg/L. Concentrations of zinc did not exceed the Florida Secondary Drinking Water Standard and Federal Secondary MCL of 5,000 µg/L in samples analyzed for this constituent. The total dissolved solids concentration detected in WP-8 (350 mg/l) did not exceed the Florida and Federal Secondary Drinking Water Standard of 500 mg/l.

1993 Investigation. Total (unfiltered) and dissolved (filtered) groundwater samples were analyzed for TAL metals at locations SP7-MW-0014, SP7-MW-0016, SP7-MW-9016 (duplicate), and SP7-DMW-0001. The metals aluminum, barium, calcium, copper, iron, magnesium, manganese, potassium, sodium, and zinc were detected in the filtered groundwater samples, while the unfiltered groundwater samples also included cadmium, lead, and nickel. None of the metals detected were above Federal or Florida MCLs. Groundwater analytical results for total and dissolved metals are summarized in Table

2-6.

Evaluation of dissolved metals results indicate that barium, calcium, magnesium, potassium and sodium are comparable to the total concentrations detected in the groundwater.

Total barium concentrations ranged from 6.6 to 11.1 µg/L and dissolved concentrations ranged from 5.7 to 10.8 µg/L. Barium values are reported as less than the CRQL. Calcium was detected in each sample ranging in concentration from 77,600 to 89,400 µg/L in the total

fraction and 79,000 to 87,200 in the dissolved samples. Total potassium concentrations ranged from 3,950 to 5,810 µg/L and 3,960 to 5,560 in the dissolved samples. Sodium values ranged from 29,000 to 30,500 µg/L in the total samples and 28,600 to 29,900 in the dissolved samples. These values are within the range of dissolved inorganics detected in the Biscayne Aquifer and below the groundwater quality criteria (Table 2-5).

Cadmium was detected in sample SP7-MW-0016 at a concentration of 3.5 µg/L and was not detected in the duplicate. The result was qualified as estimated because it is below the CRQL. The unfiltered groundwater samples were also analyzed for cyanide which was not detected above the detection limit in any sample.

2.6.3.5 Summary Section for Groundwater. Groundwater contaminants consist of VOC, primarily benzene, xylene, ethylbenzene, and hexanone, and the BNA compounds, naphthalenes, bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate and fluorene. Metals were not detected in groundwater at levels which exceeds Florida and/or Federal standards. Although some analytical results for the contaminants identified in groundwater are qualified, all data were found to be of acceptable quality based on USEPA CLP data validation protocols. Since a worst case scenario includes discharge of groundwater to the drainage ditch as a surface water, a comparison of concentrations in groundwater was made in the BRA to the Florida Surface Water Standard and the Federal Freshwater Ambient Water Quality Criteria. Iron, n-hexane (TRPH surrogate) and phthalate esters exceeds the Florida Standards, DDD has no standard and was compared to DDT. The DDD concentrations of 3E-5 mg/L exceed the DDT standard of 1E-6 mg/L but falls below the USEPA Ambient Water Quality criteria (acute) for DDT of 6E-4 mg/L. The summary of constituents detected is presented in Table 2-6.

NAPL was observed in previous investigations (1984, 1990, and 1991) at monitoring well I-9. NAPL was not observed in I-9 during the 1993 investigation; however, a layer 0.5 feet in thickness was found in monitoring well SP7-MW-0016.

#### 2.6.4 Sediment And Surface Water Investigations

Sediment and surface water samples were collected from the drainage ditch located northwest of the site, along the southeast side of Bikini Blvd. Sampling locations for the 1991 investigation are illustrated on Figure 2-2; sampling locations for the current investigation are illustrated on Figure 2-3. A description of the type and quantity of compounds detected is presented below. Surface water analysis results are compared to established Florida Class III Fresh Water Surface Water Quality Standards and Federal Fresh Water Quality Criteria for surface water quality presented in Table 2-7. Sediment

analytical

results are compared to NOAA ER-L and ER-M sediment screening values in Table 2-8. Sediment and surface water quality were investigated in conjunction with the OU-6/Site

SS-3

investigation, the results of which are summarized in the following sections. The contaminants detected in drainage ditch samples may be related to runoff from Bikini

TABLE 2-7

SURFACE WATER QUALITY CRITERIA

	Florida Class III Fresh Water Quality Standards(a)		Federal Fresh Water Quality Criteria(b)	
	acute		chronic	
BNA, µg/L				
PAHs (Total)	0.031, ave.	NS	NS	
Phenanthrene	NS	NS	NS	
Fluroanthene	370	3980		NS
Pyrene	11,000	NS	NS	
Phthalate Esters	3.0 (ave)		940	3
Bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate	NS		NS	NS
Di-n-Butyl Phthalate	NS		NS	NS
Pesticides/PCBs, µg/L				
p,p'-DDD	0.001 (DDT)(max)	11(DDT), 1050(DDE)	0.001(DDT),	
NS(DDE)				
Metals, µg/L				
Aluminum	NS		NS	
NS				
Arsenic (Total)	50		360	
190				
Barium	NS		NS	
NS				
Calcium	NS		NS	
NS				
Copper	3.9		18	
12				
Iron	1000		1000	
NS				
Magnesium	NS		NS	
NS				
Manganese	NS		NS	
NS				
Potassimn	NS		NS	
NS				
Sodium	NS		NS	
NS				

NS	Vanadium	NS	NS
47	Zinc	86	320

a - Florida Administrative Code, 17 - 302.510 April 4, 1993  
b - U.S. EPA, 1986, 1991  
ave. - average annual flow conditions  
NS - No standard established

TABLE 2-8

SUMMARY OF SEDIMENT ANALYTICAL RESULTS  
SITE SS-3 AIRCRAFT WASHRACK  
GERAGHTY & MILLER, 1991

G&M Sampling I.D.		NOAA	NOAA	SP7-SD-0001	SP7-SD-9001
TRIP BLANK	BC-SD-0010*				
Analyte	Sampling Date	ER-L 3/	ER-M 4/	11/18/91	
11/18/91	11/18/91	8/27/1991*			
VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS (ug/kg dw):					
NA	Carbon disulfide	NS	NS	61 J	79 J 5.0
NA	Methylene chloride	NS	NS	21 J	37 J 5.0
BASE/NEUTRAL AND ACID EXTRACTABLE COMPOUNDS (ug/kg dw):					
<1400	Benzo(a)anthracene	230	1600	[75]	<460 NA
<1400	Benzo(a)pyrene	400	2500	[120]	[110] NA
	Benzo(b)fluroanthene	NS	NS	[300]	[290] NA <1400
	Benzo(g,h,i)perylene	NS	NS	[120]	[130] NA <1400
<1400	Benzo(k)fluoroanthene	NS	NS	[280]	[200] NA
<6800	Benzoic acid	NS	NS	[23] J	[170] J NA
<1400	bis(2-Ethylhexyl) phthalate		NS	NS 730	640 J NA
	Butylbenzylphthalate	NS	NS	<470 [110] J	NA <1400
	Chrysene	400	2800	<470 [230]	NA <1400
	2-Chlorophenol	NS	NS	[17]	<460 NA <1400
<1400	Fluoranthene	600	3600	[230]	[180] NA
	Ideno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene	NS	NS	[130]	[130] NA

<1400	4-Methylphenol (p-cresol)	NS	NS	[65]	<460	NA
<1400	Phenanthrene	225	1380	<470	[41]	NA
<1400	Pyrene	350	2200	[260]	[220] J	NA
<1400						
	METALS (mg/kg dw):					
2700	Aluminum	NS	NS	380 J	580 J	NA
	Arsenic	33	85	13	14 NA	2.0
	Barium	NS	NS	4.7	5.7 NA	14
	Cadmium	5	9	0.96	1.2 NA	<2.1
	Calcium	NS	NS	110000	130000	NA
310000	Chromium	80	145	370 J	270 J	NA
11	Copper	70	390	4.4	4.9	NA
16	Iron	NS	NS	660	870 NA	1700
	Lead	35	110	6100	7400 J	11
	Magnesium	NS	NS	340	390 NA	1000
	Manganese	NS	NS	5.1	6.5 NA	<29
	Mercury	0.15		1.3	0.18 J	1.3 J NA
0.043	Sodium	NS	NS	130	190 NA	290
	Vanadium	NS	NS	1.9	2.1 NA	5.7
	Zinc	120	270	60	89 NA	27

# TOTAL RECOVERABLE

PETROLEUM HYDROCARBONS (ug/kg dw) NS NS 84 120 NA

NA

ug/kg dw micrograms per kilogram dry weight

mg/kg dw milligrams per kilogram dry weight

NA Not Analyzed

< Analyte was not detected at or above the indicated concentration.

[ ] Value is greater than instrument detection limit but less than practical quantitation limit.

J Positive result has been classified as qualitative.

UJ Analyte was not detected. Classified as qualitative.

U Result has been classified as undetected.

/ Effects Range-Low

4/ Effects Range-Median

\*BC-SD-0010 - Boundary Canal Background Sample

Boulevard. Contaminants identified at OU-6/Site SS-3 may be carried to groundwater discharge areas, such as the drainage ditch, where volatilization or photo oxidation would occur. Organic compounds entering the groundwater may act as nutrient substrate for

the indigenous microbial population and may stimulate biodegradation of susceptible compounds along the contaminant pathway. This summary of sediment and surface water investigations is presented for the purpose of review only. Sediment and surface water and will be fully evaluated in the investigation of OU-9, Boundary Canal.

2.6.4.1 Volatile Organic Compounds. 1991 Investigation. One sediment sample and a duplicate were analyzed for VOCs in the 1991 investigation. Two VOCs, carbon disulfide and methylene chloride, were detected in both the sample and the duplicate. Both compounds were also detected in the associated trip blank.

The surface water sample collected in the 1991 investigation was not analyzed for VOCs. Constituents detected in the 1991 sediment sampling are summarized in Table 2-8. Results for the 1991 surface water sampling are summarized in Table 2-9. The complete analytical results are included in the investigation report (G&M, 1992).

1993 Investigation. Three sediment samples and two duplicates were collected from the drainage ditch northwest of the site. The VOCs methylene chloride, acetone, carbon disulfide, and MEK, and sixteen TICs, were detected in the samples. Methylene chloride and carbon disulfide were detected in only one sample (SP7-SD-0003) at concentrations of 2 µg/kg and 5 µg/kg, respectively. MEK was detected in three samples (SP7-SD-0003, SP7-SD-0004, and the duplicate) at a maximum concentration of 18 µg/kg. Acetone was detected in all samples at concentrations ranging from 98 µg/kg to 220 µg/kg. Acetone is related to the degradation of the isopropanol used in the decontamination process, as discussed in Section 2.6.2.1. MEK and methylene chloride are common laboratory contaminants that were detected at less than 5 times the detection limit; thus, they are considered laboratory contaminants and will be qualified in the data validation process. Details of the data validation process will be discussed in the QCSR for the RI which will be submitted at a later date. A summary of compounds detected in 1993 is presented in Table 2-10.

Surface water samples collected in conjunction with the sediment samples were also analyzed for VOCs. No VOCs were detected. The summary of VOCs detected in surface water in 1993 is provided in Table 2-11.

TABLE 2-9

SUMMARY OF SURFACE WATER ANALYTICAL RESULTS



SITE SS-3 AIRCRAFT WASHRACK  
GERAGHTY & MILLER, 1991  
Homestead ARB, Florida

		G&M Sample I.D.	TRIP/BLANK	SP7-SW-0001	SP7-
SW-9001	Analyte (a)	Sampling Date	11/18/91	11/18/91	
11/18/91					
			Duplicate		
	VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS (ug/L):		BDL	BDL	BDL
	BASE/NEUTRAL and ACID EXTRACTABLE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS (ug/L):				
	bis(2-Ethylhexyl) phthalate		NA	52 J	[1.0]
UJ					
	METALS (ug/L):				
	Arsenic		NA	18	
26					
	Calcium		NA	30000	
30000					
	Iron		NA	81	
88					
	Magnesium		NA	1300	
1300					
	Manganese		NA	13	
13					
	Potassium		NA	4400	
4500					
	Sodium		NA	20000	
20000					
	ug/L	micrograms per liter			
	NA	Not Analyzed			
	NS	No Standard			
	BDL	Below Detection Limit			
	<	Analyte was not detected at or above the indicated concentration.			
	[ ]	Value is greater than instrument detection limit but less than PQL.			
	J	Positive result has been classified as qualitative.			
	UJ	Analyte was not detected. Classified as qualitative.			
	a/	Constituents not detected in any samples are not shown.			

TABLE 2-10

SUMMARY OF CONSTITUENTS DETECTED IN SEDIMENT

SAMPLES

SITE SS-3, AIRCRAFT WASHRACK AREA

MONTGOMERY WATSON, 1993  
Homestead ARB, Florida

		Analyte		NOAA		NOAA		BC-SD-0100**		Sample ID	
SP7-SD-0002		SP7-SD-9002		SP7-SD-0003		SP7-SD-0004		SP7-SD-9004			
				ER-L		ER-M		Background		Date Collected	
3/10/93		3/10/93		3/10/93		3/10/93		3/10/93			
				1991						Duplicate	
Duplicate											
VOA TCL Compounds (ug/kg)(1)											
140	98	110	220	NS	NS	NS	NS	NA	NA	190	
5 J	Acetone		NS	NS	NS	NA	NA	<39	<18		
<18	<24	<26									
<18	Carbon Disulfide			NS	NS	NA	NA	<39			
<18	2 J	<24	<26								
<18	Methylene Chloride			NS	NS	NA	NA	<39			
	15 J	6 J	18 J								
	Methyl Ethyl Ketone (2-Butanone)										
Pesticide/PCB TCL Compounds (ug/kg)(1)											
<4.0	Beta BHC		NS	NS	NS	NA	NA	<3.9			
<4.0	<220	.85 J	<15								
<4.0	Beta-Chlordane		NS	NS	NS	NA	NA	<3.9			
<4.0	<220	1.6 J	<15								
60	p,p'-DDD		2	20	20	NA	NA	210			
100	12000	59	41								
100	p,p'-DDE		2	15	15	NA	NA	330			
100	1300	48	29 J								
B	p,p'-DDT		1	7	7	NA	NA	31 B	15		
B	140 BJ	8.8 B	22 BJ								
BNA TCL Compounds (ug/kg)(1)											
BJ	2-Chlorophenol		NS	NS	NS	<1400	<1400	12			
BJ	<770	<9400	<1700	14 BJ	14 BJ						
630 J	2-Methylnaphthalene		65	670	670	<1400	<1400	620			
630 J	87 J	180 J	230 J								
<770	4-Methylphenol (p-cresol)		NS	NS	NS	<1400	<1400	41 J			
<770	<9400	<1700	17 J								
120 J	Acenaphthene		150	650	650	<1400	<1400	1,600			
120 J	310 J	650 J	730 J								
<770	Acenaphtylene		NS	NS	NS	<1400	<1400	<590			
<770	130 J	14 J	13 J								
2,200	Anthracene		85	960	960	<1400	<1400				
2,200	330 J	720 J	710 J	880	880						
4,200	Benzo(a)Anthracene		270	1600	1600	<1400	<1400				
4,200	930	1,900 J	1,800	1,800	1,800						
3,100	Benzo(a)Pyrene		400	2500	2500	<1400	<1400				
3,100	1,200	2,300 J	1,800	1,700	1,700						
2,200	Benzo(b)Fluoranthene		NS	NS	NS	<1400	<1400	4,500			
2,200	4,800 J	2,700	2,900								
1,200	Benzo(g,h,i)Perylene		NS	NS	NS	<1400	<1400	2,000			
1,200	2,000 J	1,400 J	1,000								

		Benzo(k)Fluoranthene		NS	NS	<1400		3,500
1,200	3,100 J	2,100	2,300					
		BenzyI Butyl Phthalate		NS	NS	<1400		28 J
<770	120 J	29 J	<790					
		Bis(2-Ethylhexyl)Phthalate		NS	NS	<1400		
1200								
B	2,300	9,300 J	950 BJ	1,100 B				
		Carbazole		NS	NS	<1400		
1,800	<770	<9400	760 J	800				
		Chrysene	400	2800		<1400		
3,900	1,900	4200 J	2,900	2,200				
		Di-n-Butyl-Phthalate	NS	NS		<1400		940 B
66 J	800 BJ	36 BJ	<790					
		Dibenz(A,H)Anthracene		400	2600	<1400		760
340 J	<9400	530 J	350 J					
		Dibenzofuran	NS	NS		<1400		1,200
110 J	210 J	390 J	490 J					
		Di-n-Octyl Phthalate	NS	NS		<1400		<590
15 J	64 J	<1700	80 J					
		Fluoranthene	600	3600		<1400		10,000
3,000	6,200 J	4,100	4,200					
		Fluorene	NS	NS		<1400		1,800
230 J	510 J	740 J	810					
		Indeno(1,2,3-C,D)Pyrene		NS	NS	<1400		1,900
1,400	2,000 J	1,200 J	1,000					
		Naphthalene		340	2100	<1400		1,100
100 J	130 J	470 J	650 J					
		Phenanthrene	225	1380		<1400		10,000
1,400	3200 DJ	3,200	3,800					
		Pyrene	350	220		<1400		8,900
2,600	5,500 DJ	5,400	4,500					
		Metals(mg/kg)(2)						
		Aluminum	NS	NS		2700		3,300
3,370	3,400	2,860	3,740					
		Antimony	NS	NS		NA		3.6 B
<3.0	4.0 B	<3.0	<3.0					
		Arsenic	33	85		2		30.4 N
29.3 N	31.3 N	12.4 N	18.4 N					
		Barium	NS	NS		14		21.9 B
20.4 B	27.2 B	19.1 B	23.9 B					
		Cadmium	5	9		<2.1		6.6 5.1
10.6	23	2.6						
		Calcium	NS	NS		310,000		
285,000	291,000	364,000	263,000			344,000		
		Chromium	80	145		11		61.8
52.7	301	22.3	27					
		Cobalt	NS	NS		<4.2		1.0 B
1.1 B	1.2 B	0.89 B	0.79 B					
		Copper	70	390		16 J		18.2
23.7	23.8	26.3	16.2					
		Iron	NS	NS		1700		2,280 E 2,040
E	1,880 E	2,030 E	2,170 E					
		Lead	35	110		11		176 156 O

446	93.5	129							
	Magnesium		NS	NS	1000		1,050		
1,120	2,200	1,720	1,170						
	Manganese		NS	NS	<29		29.3 E		
28.5 E	36 I E	27.9 E	34.3 E						
	Nickel		30	50	NA		4.6 B		
4.4 B	4.1 B	8.6	4.0 B						
	Potassium		NS	NS	NA		586 B		
673 B	856 B	612 B	908 B						
	Sodium		NS	NS	290		618 B		
627 B	596 B	573 B	752 B						
	Vanadium		NS	NS	5.7		8.3 B		
7.7 B	10.1	7.8 B	8.0 B						
	Zinc		120	270	27	509	388	538	
142	176								

All samples analyzed by Savannah Laboratories, Tallahassee, Florida.

< not detected at specified detection limit (1) Data Qualifiers for

Organic

Compounds

(2) Data Qualifiers for Inorganic Compounds

NA - not available

J - estimated quantity, <CRQL

B - Reading is less than CRQL but greater than IDL

\*\* - Source Geraghty & Miller Electroplating

B - compound detected in

an

associated blank

E - reported value is estimated due to interference

Waste Disposal Area RI - 6/92

(Boundary Canal Sediment Sampling)

Shaded - greater than Background

TABLE 2-11

# SUMMARY OF CONSTITUENTS DETECTED IN

SURFACE

WATER SAMPLES

COLLECTED AT SITE SS-3, AIRCRAFT

WASHRACK

MONTGOMERY WATSON, 1993

Homestead ARB, Florida

				Florida	EPA	
Sample ID						
SP7-SW-0002	SP7-SW-9002	SP7-SW-0003				
			Surface Water	Water Quality		Date
Collected	3/10/93	3/10/93	3/10/93			
Standards	Criterion			Duplicate		
	Analyte			FAC 17-302.530*	(Acute)	

VOA TCL Compounds (ug/l)(1)

Acetone

NS

NS

ND

ND

ND

	1,2-Dichloropropene		NS	6060	
ND	ND	ND			
	Toluene		NS	17500	ND
ND	ND				
	Pesticides/PCB TCL Compounds (ug/l)(1)				
	p,p'-DDD		0.00059(a)	NS	
ND	ND	0.022 J			
	BNA TCL Compounds (ug/l)(1)				
	Bis(2-Ethylhexyl) Phthalate			3(b)	940(b)
<11	ND	0.2 J			
	Di-n-Butyl Phthalate		3(b)	940(b)	0.1 J
ND	<11				
	Fluoranthene		.031(c)	3980	<11
ND	0.2 J				
	Phenanthrene		.031(c)	NS	
<11	ND	0.2 J			
	Pyrene		11	NS	<11
ND	0.1 J				
	Metals (ug/l)(2)				
	Aluminum		NS	NS	66.8 B
72.7 B	149 B				
	Arsenic		50	360	15.8
16.1	25.5				
	Barium		NS	NS	8.2 B
8.2 B	9.6 B				
	Calcium		NS	NS	35,700
36,500	34,200				
	Copper		3.9	18	<2.0
<2.0	2.2 B				
	Iron	1000		1000	12.3 B
19 B	45.4 B				
	Magnesium		NS	NS	1,980 B
2010 B	2120 B				
	Manganese		NS	NS	<1.0
1.0 B	4.6 B				
	Nickel		100	1800	<6.0
<6.0	<6.0				
	Potassium		NS	NS	
3,340 B	3550 B	3280 B			
	Sodium		NS	NS	30,700
30900	37000				
	Vanadium		NS	NS	4.1 B
<3.0	5.4 B				
	Zinc	86		320	21.3
20.5	20.6				

All samples analyzed by Savannah Laboratories, Tallahassee, Florida.

< - not detected at specified detection limit (1) Data Qualifiers for Organic Compounds.  
(2) Data Qualifiers for Inorganic Compounds

NS - no standard

J - Estimated Value, <CRQL or TIC

B - Reading is less than CRQL

blank ND - not detected but greater than IDL. B - compound detected in an associated  
 \* - Class III Freshwater  
 Shaded - greater than Regulatory Standards

Notes:

- a average annual for DDT
- b as phthalate esters
- c annual average as Total PAHs
- d for DDT

TABLE 2-11

SUMMARY OF CONSTITUENTS DETECTED IN SURFACE

WATER SAMPLES

COLLECTED AT SITE SS-3, AIRCRAFT

WASHRACK

MONTGOMERY WATSON, 1993  
 Homestead ARB, Florida  
 (CONTINUED)

SP7-SW-0004		SP7-SW-9004		Florida	EPA	Sample ID
				SP2-FB-0001	SP7-SW-0002	
				Surface Water	Water Quality	Date Collected
3/10/93		3/10/93		3/10/93	3/10/93	
Duplicate				Standards	Criterion	
		Analyte		FAC 17-302.530*	(Acute)	
VOA TCL Compounds (ug/l)(1)						
		Acetone		NS	NS	10
ND	1 J	1 J				
		1,2-Dichloropropene		NS	6060	
<10	ND	4 J	4 J			
		Toluene		NS	17500	<10
ND	1 J	<10				
Pesticides/PCB TCL Compounds (ug/l)(1)						
		p,p'-DDD		0.00059(a)	NS	ND
ND	<0.10	<0.10				
BNA TCL Compounds (ug/l)(1)						
		Bis(2-Ethylhexyl)Phthalate		3(b)	940(b)	
0.2 J	0.3 J	0.3 J	<10			
		Di-n-Butyl Phthalate		3(b)	940(b)	<11
<11	<10	<10				
		Fluoranthene		.031(c)	3980	<10
<10	<10	<10				
		Phenanthrene		.031(c)	NS	<10
<10	<10	<10				

<10	Pyrene		11	NS	<10
	<10	ND			
	Metals (ug/l)(2)				
	Aluminum		NS	NS	84 B
87.4 B	<20.0	<20.0			
	Arsenic		50	360	25.0
26.2	<5.0	<5.0			
	Barium		NS	NS	11.5 B
13.5 B	<1.0	<1.0			
	Calcium		NS	NS	
34,300	35,500	120.0 B		107 B	
	Copper		3.9	18	<2.0
<2.0	9.0 B	<2.0			
	Iron		1000	1000	39.1 B
37.4 B	8.9 B	7.8 B			
	Magnesium		NS	NS	2040 B
2100 B	<30.0	<30.0			
	Manganese		NS	NS	3.9 B
3.7 B	<1.0	<1.0			
	Nickel		100	1800	<6.0
<6.0	33.8 B	<6.0			
	Potassium		NS	NS	3100 B
3240 B	<325	<325			
	Sodium		NS	NS	35100
35600	43.2 B	<30.0			
	Vanadium		NS	NS	3.3 B
4.1 B	<3.0	<3.0			
	Zinc		86	320	26.1
18.3 B	68.6	33			

All samples analyzed by Savannah Laboratories, Tallahassee, Florida.

< not detected at specified detection limit (1) Data Qualifiers for Organic Compounds  
 (2) Data Qualifiers for Inorganic Compounds  
 NS - no standard J - Estimated Value, <CRQL or TIC  
 B - Reading is less than CRQL  
 ND - not detected B - compound detected in an associated blank but greater than IDL.  
 \* - Class III Freshwater  
 Shaded - greater than Regulatory Standards

Notes:

- a average annual for DDT
- b as phthalate esters
- c annual average as Total PAHs
- d for DDT

2.6.4.2 Base Neutral/Acid Extractable Compounds. 1991 Investigation. The sediment sample and the duplicate collected in the 1991 investigation were analyzed for

BNAs. Ten PAH compounds, two phthalates, 2 phenol compounds, and benzoic acid were detected. Reported concentrations of PAH compounds ranged from 41 µg/kg to 300 µg/kg. The highest levels of BNA detected were bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate at concentrations of 730 and 640 µg/kg in the sample and duplicate, respectively. Bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate was also detected in the surface water sample collected in conjunction with the sediment sample at a concentration of 52 µg/L. It was not detected in the duplicate surface water sample. Analytical results for the 1991 sediment and surface water samples are summarized in Table 2-8 and 2-9, respectively.

1993 Investigation. Three sediment samples and two duplicates were analyzed for BNAs. A total of 25 BNA compounds were detected in site samples. Sample SP7-SD-0002, collected from the same approximate location as the 1991 sample, contained 23 BNA compounds including all of those detected in the 1991 sample except benzoic acid. Of

the 23 detected compounds, 17 are PAHs, 4 are phthalates, and 2 are phenols; dibenzofuran and carbazole were also detected. Concentrations of the PAHs ranged from 10,000 µg/kg (phenanthrene and fluoranthene in SP7-SD-0002) to 120 µg/kg (acenaphthalene in SP7-SD-9002). PAH concentrations are generally higher than those reported for the

other classes of BNA compounds. The surface water samples collected in conjunction with the sediment samples contained low levels (0.1 to 0.2 µg/L) of three PAH compounds (phenanthrene, fluoranthene, and pyrene). Two phthalates (di-n-butyl phthalate and bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate) were also detected at levels ranging from 0.2 to 0.3

µg/L. Six TICs were also reported for surface water samples. Analytical results for the 1993 and surface water samples are summarized in Tables 2-10 and 2-11, respectively.

Concentrations of PAHs detected in sediments are higher than those detected to date in site soil samples. Concentrations of the BNAs detected in surface water are generally less than those detected in site groundwater samples. BNAs were detected in samples both upstream and downstream of OU-6/Site SS-3.

2.6.4.3 Organochloride Pesticides/PCBs. Sediment and surface water samples were not analyzed for organochlorine pesticides/PCBs in the 1991 investigation.

1993 Investigation. No PCBs were detected in sediment samples. The pesticides beta hexachlorocyclohexane (beta BHC), beta-chlordane, and the DDT metabolites p,p'-DDE, p,p'-DDD, and p,p'-DDT were detected in sediment samples. Beta BHC and beta-chlordane

were only detected in sample SP7-SD-0004 at concentrations of 0.85 and 1.6 µg/kg, respectively. The DDT metabolites were detected in all three samples and the two duplicates at concentrations ranging from 8.8 µg/kg to 12,000 µg/kg. The highest concentrations of DDT metabolites were detected in sample SP7-SD-0003, collected from a location



downstream of the site. Results for the metabolite p,p'-DDT are qualified as estimated due to blank contamination. However, as discussed in the QCSR, the blank contamination is a result of carryover from the previously run sample. Control samples analyzed subsequent to the blank did not contain p,p'-DDT; thus, the sample results are not considered suspect.

Analytical results for pesticides/PCBs in 1993 sediment and surface water samples are summarized in Tables 2-10 and 2-11, respectively. DDT and its metabolites have been observed in soil and sediment samples collected at CERCLA sites throughout the Base.

The DDT metabolite p,p'-DDD was also detected in surface water sample SP7-SW-0003 at a concentration of 0.022 µg/L, below the CRQL. No standards or criteria for the metabolite p,p'-DDD have been established. The detected concentration is in excess of established

Florida Surface Water Quality Standards for DDT of 0.001 µg/L maximum and below established federal criteria for acute exposure to DDE and DDT (Table 2-7). No other pesticides or PCBs were detected in surface water samples.

2.6.4.4 Metals and Cyanide. 1991 Investigation. The metals aluminum, arsenic, barium, cadmium, calcium, chromium, copper, iron, lead, magnesium, manganese, mercury, sodium, vanadium, and zinc were detected in the sediment sample and duplicate sample collected during the 1991 investigation. These metals are commonly detected in limestone.

Concentrations of most constituents detected in the sediment samples were below average carbonate concentrations except for the trace metals, cadmium, chromium, zinc, arsenic, mercury, and lead, which were above concentrations given for the average carbonate composition (Hem, 1989).

Concentrations of chromium detected in sample SP7-SD-0001 and its duplicate SP7-SD-9001 exceeded the NOAA ER-L and ER-M values. Sediment sample SP7-SD-0001 contained mercury concentrations which exceeded the NOAA ER-L value. Lead concentrations detected in sample SP7-SD-0001 and its duplicate, SP7-SD-9001, exceeded the NOAA ER-M and ER-L values.

The surface water sample and duplicate collected in conjunction with the sediment sample contained arsenic, calcium, iron, magnesium, manganese, potassium, and iron. None of these metals was detected in excess of established federal or state surface water quality standards;

and, therefore, none were identified as compounds of concern in the report of the investigation (G&M, 1992). No analyses for cyanide were performed in the 1991 investigation. Analytical results for sediment samples are summarized in Table 2-8; surface water analytical results are summarized in Table 2-9.

1993 Investigation. Three sediment samples and two duplicate samples were analyzed for

metals. With the exception of mercury, the metals detected in the 1991 sediment sample were detected in all of the current samples. Nickel, which was not found in the 1991 sample, was also found in all current sediment samples. Samples SP7-SD-0002 and SP7-SD-0003 also contained antimony. In the absence of background concentrations for metals in sediment, it is not possible to assess whether OU-6/Site SS-3 has contributed metals contamination to the ditch sediments. Surface water samples collected in conjunction with the sediment samples contained those metals identified in the 1991 sample plus aluminum, barium, calcium, vanadium, and zinc. Copper was also detected in sample SP7-SD-0002. None of the metals were detected in excess of established state or federal surface water quality criteria. Analytical results for sediment and surface water samples are summarized in Tables 2-10 and 2-11.

No regulatory standards currently exist for sediments. However, comparing analytical results to NOAA Effects Range-Low (ER-L) values, only cadmium, lead, and zinc exceed these criteria (Table 2-10). The environmental impact evaluation is deferred to the Site SS-3 Baseline Risk Assessment Phase II Report, Section 6.2.1.2.

2.6.4.5 Summary for Surface Water and Sediment. Drainage ditch sediments contained detectable concentrations of carbon disulfide, methylene chloride, BNAs (17 PAHs) and DDT-metabolites. The contaminants detected in drainage ditch sediments may be related to sources other than OU-6/Site SS-3. PAHs and metals in particular related to runoff from Bikini Boulevard. Surface water samples contained detectable concentrations of the PAH compounds phenanthrene, fluoranthene and pyrene. In general, compounds detected in surface water samples, primarily BNAs, pesticides, and metals, are lower than those detected in groundwater at OU-6/Site SS-3. Similar concentrations of constituents were observed in both upgradient and downgradient surface water and sediment samples.

The contaminants detected in the drainage ditch samples may be related to runoff from Bikini Blvd. The contamination present at OU-6/Site SS-3 have demonstrated persistence and limited migration since 1984. Hence, the present site condition at OU-6 does not represent a significant likelihood to further impact the drainage ditch sediments or surface water. However, should contaminants be carried via groundwater to discharge areas, such as the drainage ditch, volatilization or photo oxidation would occur. Organic compounds entering

and the groundwater may act as nutrient substrate for the indigenous microbial population  
may stimulate biodegradation of susceptible compounds along the contaminant pathway.

The significant and potential human health and environmental impacts of occurrences of  
constituents detected in drainage ditch sediments and surface water will be fully  
evaluated in the RI/BRA for Site SD-27, (OU-9) Boundary Canal Investigation.

## 2.7 SUMMARY OF SITE RISKS

6/Site In order to evaluate whether existing or future exposure to contaminated media at OU-  
SS-3 could pose a risk to people or the environment, USAF completed a Baseline Risk  
Assessment (BRA) in July 1994 with EPA oversight of this process. This evaluation  
then served as a baseline for determining whether cleanup of each site media was necessary.  
In the BRA, USAF evaluated site risks for several environmental media. This ROD  
addresses the risks attributable to chemicals in the soil and groundwater at OU-6/Site SS-3.  
Sediment and surface water will be addressed as part of OU-9, Boundary and Military Canal  
investigation. The risk assessment included the following major components:  
selection of chemicals of potential concern, exposure assessment, toxicity assessment, risk  
characterization, development of remedial goal options, ecological risk, and  
uncertainties. The USAF estimated potential site risk in the absence of any future remediation.

### 2.7.1 Selection of Chemicals of Potential Concern

PAHs, Samples collected at OU-6/Site SS-3 indicated that the groundwater contains VOCs,  
TRPH, and metals. Soils at the site contain VOCs and BNAs.

greatest Chemicals detected that are the most toxic and that are anticipated to create the  
potential risk were selected as chemicals of potential concern (COPCs). All the  
detected constituents were included as COPCs for the risk assessment with the following  
exception:

very high Chemicals that are essential human nutrients and constituents that are toxic only at  
doses (i.e., much higher than those that could be associated with contact at the site)  
were eliminated risk assessment.

TABLE 2-12

CHEMICALS OF POTENTIAL CONCERN

SITE SS-3 (Former SP-7), AIRCRAFT WASHRACK AREA  
Homestead Air Reserve Base, Florida

	Soil	Ground Water
VOCs		
Benzene		X
Chloroform		X
Ethylbenzene	X	X
Methyl ethyl ketone	X	
Methylene chloride	X	
Styrene	X	
Xylenes	X	X
BNA's		
Bis(2-Ethylhexyl)phthalate		X
Di(n-octyl)phthalate		X
Dibenzofuran	X	
Fluorene		X
n-Hexane (1)	X	X
2-Methylnaphthalene	X	X
Naphthalene	X	X
Metals		
Cadmium		X

- (1) n-Hexane is used as a surrogate for Total Recoverable Petroleum Hydrocarbons (TRPH) and Alkane Tentatively Identified Compounds (TICs).

Inorganic constituents present at concentrations less than twice background concentrations were excluded from the list of COPCs. Only those constituents for which the maximum detected concentration was greater than twice the background concentration were retained as COPCs.

Inorganic and semi-volatile organics considered to be present in background concentrations according to the scientific literature for the specific chemical or those chemicals considered ubiquitous and determined not to be site-related. Although phthalate esters are relatively ubiquitous in the environment, the presence of these constituents in media at the site may be due to sampling or laboratory artifacts. Since these phthalates may not be site-related, for purposes of the BRA only the significant phthalates were considered COPCs.

Based on this evaluation a group of COPCs was carried through the quantitative risk

assessment for each affected media.

COPCs for groundwater and soil are shown in Table 2-12.

#### 2.7.2 Exposure Assessment

In the exposure assessment, USAF considered ways in which people could come into contact with contaminated media under both current and future conditions. A critical step in assessing the potential risk to public health is to identify the pathways through which exposure to chemicals could occur. A typical transport pathway consists of four necessary elements. 1) A source and mechanism of chemical release; 2) an environmental transport medium; 3) a point of potential contact with the contaminated medium; and 4) an exposure route (inhalation of vapors, ingestion of groundwater, etc.). All four of these elements must be present for a pathway to be complete.

Exposure Point Concentration. The exposure point concentration for each contaminant was derived using the 95 percent upper confidence limit (UCL) on the arithmetic mean as defined by the following formula:

$$UCL_{95} = e^{\left\{ \frac{\bar{x} + s \sqrt{H}}{2} \right\}}$$

where:  $\bar{x}$  = arithmetic mean of the log-transformed data  
 $s$  = standard deviation of the log-transformed data

$H$  = statistical parameter

Often, with limited data sets, the UCL, is higher than the maximum detected concentration.

If so, the maximum concentration detected was used as the exposure point concentration rather than the UCL95. Exposure point concentrations for COPCs are shown in Tables 2-13 and 2-14.

Land Use. Hypothetical future use of the site for residential purposes is unlikely. However, for the purposes of the baseline risk assessment, the hypothetical future risks were evaluated for the possibility of future residential development of the site and installation of a potable well.

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Exposure Scenerios. Potential current risks at the site were evaluated based on a worker accessing the site for job related duties. Hypothetical future risks at the site were evaluated based upon the following exposure scenarios: groundwater ingestion by a hypothetical future adult resident; and soil exposure by hypothetical; future adult residents. Risks were evaluated based on conservative use of Reasonable Maximum Exposure (RME) assumptions. The exposure assumptions for each pathway are provided in Tables 2-15 and 2-16. Based on the exposure point concentrations derived from site data for the chemicals shown in Table 2-12 and using the exposure assumptions identified in Tables 2-15 and 2-16, EPA estimated the chronic daily intake (CDI) associated with each exposure pathway and population combination. The formulas used to calculate the CDI for each pathway are provided in Tables 2-15 and 2-16.

2.7.3 Toxicity Assessment

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The toxicity assesssment evaluated possible harmful effects of exposure to each COPC. number of chemicals found at the site, including VOCs, Bis (2-ethylhexyl)phthalate, cadmium, and lead have the potential to cause cancer (carcinogenic). Slope factors have been developed by EPA's Carcinogenic Assessment Group for estimating lifetime cancer risks associated with exposure to potentially carcinogenic compounds. These which are expressed in units of (mg/kg-day)<sup>-1</sup> are multiplied by the estimated CDI of a potential carcinogen to provide an upper-bound estimate of the excess lifetime cancer risk associated with exposure at the intake level. The term "upper bound" reflects the conservative estimate of the risks calculated from the SF. Use of the approach makes underestimation of the actual cancer risk highly unlikely. Slope factors are derived

TABLE 2-13

EXPOSURE POINT CONCENTRATIONS FOR GROUNDWATER  
 SITE SS-3 (FORMERLY SP-7) AIRCRAFT WASHRACK  
 Homestead Air Reserve Base, Florida

		Geraghty & Miller					Montgomery Watson		
		Samples Collected					Samples Collected		
		1990-1991					1993		
G&M	MW	Constituent [1]			No. Samples	Mean	UCL	No. Samples	No.
Samples		UCL[3]	Min	Max[3]	Min	Max[3]			
		Collected & Avg.						Collected	Averaged
1990-93									

VOCs (æg/L)										
8.54	Benzene Recalculated				17	3.8	13.21	3	20	
	<5.0	24	<10	70						
	Ethylbenzene				17	6.6	12	3	20	17.65
<5.0	51	<10	160							
13.15	Xylenes Recalculated				17	4.4	6.6	3	20	
	<5.0	21	<10	150						
	Chloroform Added				17	-	-	3	20	2.86
--	--	<10	1							
BNAs (æg/L)										
15.47	Bis(2-Ethylhexyl)phthalate Recale				17		4	4.8	3	20
	<10	26	<1	7						
	Di-n-octylphthalate				17	7.4	11	3	20	34.93
<10	28	<11	28							
<10	Fluorene Recalculated				17	1.6	1.6	3	20	14.41
	1.6	<11	17							
	n-Hexane [2] Recalculated				17		12,000	24,000	3	20
83,090	<1000	120,000	64	20,628						
<10	2-Methylnaphthalene Recalculated				17	28	52	3	20	182.7
	220	0.6	860							
	Naphthalene Recalculated				17	23	37	3	20	126.5
<10	130	0.6	480							
METALS (æg/L)										
--	Cadmium Added				10	-	-	3	13	4.45
	--	<2.0	3.5							

æg/L micrograms per Liter

-- Not Detected

[1] Additional data collected in 1993 required some reconstruction of existing database for use in this risk assessment.

Where indicated, UCLs were recalculated or compounds added.

[2] n-Hexane is used as a surrogate for TRPH and Alkane and aromatic TIC's. Total obtained from the following petroleum TIC categories: alkanaes, unknown

hydrocarbons, substitute benzene, PAHs, cycloalkanes, and aromatic.

hydrocarbons, substituted benzene, PAHs, cycloalkanes, and aromatic.

[3] UCLs are used as exposure point concentrations unless calculation produces a UCL greater than the maximum detected concentration, in which case the maximum detected concentration is used.

TABLE 2-14

SOIL  
WASHRACK

EXPOSURE POINT CONCENTRATION FOR  
SITE SS-3 (FORMERLY SP-7) AIRCRAFT  
Homestead Air Reserve Base, Florida

Watson		Geraghty & Miller				Montgomery		
Collected		Samples Collected				Samples		
		1991				1993		
G&M	MW	Constituent[1]		No. Samples		Mean	UCL	No. Samples
No. Samples	UCL	Min	Max.[3]	Min	Max.[3,4]			
		Collected & Avg.					Collected	Averaged
1990-93								
VOC's (æg/kg)								
	Ethylbenzene		4		15000	37000	1	5
6E+15	<3400	42,000	- -	- -				
	Methyl chloride		4		2500	3600	1	5
1E+10	<3400	3,600	- -	- -				
	Styrene		4		4500	11000	1	5
1E+12	<3400	13,000	- -	- -				
	Xylenes		4		26000	63000	1	5
1E+17	<3400	71,000	- -	- -				
	Methyl Ethyl Ketone	Addex		4	- -	- -	1	5
7E+03	- -	- -	- -	900				
BNA's (æg/kg)								
	h-Hexane [2]	Recalculated		4		3,700,000	6,500,000	1
5	1E+23	860,000	5,900,000	- -	303			
	2-Methylnaphthalene			4		31000	58000	1
5	- -	8900	63,000	- -	18			
	Naphthalene		4		17000	33000	1	5
8E+10	4800	36,000	- -	37				
	Dibenzofuran	Added		4	- -	- -	1	5
1E+17	2,200	4,550	- -	45				

mg/kg milligrams per kilogram

æg/kg micrograms per kilogram

-- Not Detected

[1] Additional data collected in 1993 required some reconstruction of existing database for use in this risk assessment.

Where indicated, UCLs were recalculated or compounds added.

[2] n-Hexane is used as a surrogate for TRPH and Alkane TICs

[3] Maximum used as exposure point concentration when UCL was greater than maximum concentration detected.

[4] No minimum/maximum values presented for Montgomery Watson data since there was only one sample point.



TABLE 2-15

EQUATIONS AND SAMPLE CALCULATIONS FOR HYPOTHETICAL FUTURE  
POTABLE GROUNDWATER EXPOSURE AT  
SITE SS-3 (FORMER SP-7, AIRCRAFT WASHRACK AREA  
Homestead Air Reserve Base, Florida

## Equation Definition:

$$\text{GWExD} = \frac{\text{Cgw} \times \text{IR} \times \text{EF}}{\text{BW} \times \text{AP}}$$

$$\text{ELCR} = \text{GWExD} \times \text{CSFo}$$

$$\text{HQ} = \frac{\text{GWExD}}{\text{RfDo}}$$

where:

- AP Averaging period (25,550 days/lifetime [365 days/yr for 70 years] for carcinogenic effects; 10,950 days/lifetime [365 days/yr for 30 years] for non-carcinogenic effects (USEPA, 1989a).
- BW Body weight (70 kg) (USEPA, 1991a).
- CSFo Cancer slope factor for oral exposure (mg/kg-day)<sup>-1</sup> (Table 3-4 BRA 1994).
- Cgw Concentration in ground water (mg/L) (lesser of 95 percent upper confidence limit on the arithmetic mean or the maximum detected concentration) (Table 4-2 BRA 1994).
- ELCR Excess lifetime cancer risk.
- EF Exposure frequency (10,500 days/lifetime [350 days/year for 30 years]) (USEPA, 1991a).
- GWExD Potable ground-water exposure dose (mg/kg day).
- HQ Hazard quotient.
- IR Ingestion rate - drinking water (2 liters/day) (USEPA, 1991a).
- RfDo Reference dose for oral exposure (mg/kg-day) (Table 3-3 BRA 1994).

## Sample Calculation - benzene. cancer effects

$$\begin{aligned} \text{GWExD} &= \frac{(0.006 \text{ mg/L}) \times (2 \text{ L/day}) \times (10,500 \text{ days/lifetime})}{(70 \text{ kg}) \times (25,550 \text{ days/lifetime})} \\ &= 7.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mg/kg-day} \\ \text{ELCR} &= (7.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mg/kg-day}) \times (2.9 \times 10^{-2} \text{ kg-day/mg}) \\ &= 2.0 \times 10^{-6} \end{aligned}$$

TABLE 2-15 (continued)

EQUATIONS AND SAMPLE CALCULATIONS FOR HYPOTHETICAL FUTURE  
POTABLE GROUNDWATER EXPOSURE AT  
SITE SS-3 (FORMER SP-7), AIRCRAFT WASHRACK AREA

Homestead Air Reserve Base, Florida

Sample Calculation - naphthalene, non-cancer effects

$$\begin{aligned}\text{GWExD} &= \frac{(0.037 \text{ mg/L}) \times (2 \text{ L/day}) \times (10,500 \text{ days/lifetime})}{(70 \text{ kg}) \times (10,500 \text{ days/lifetime})} \\ &= 1.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mg/kg-day} \\ \text{HQ} &= \frac{1.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mg/kg-day}}{4.0 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mg/kg-day}} \\ &= 0.025\end{aligned}$$

Note: This calculation does not include a consideration of the inhalation of volatiles during showering. This concentration is generally assumed to equal the exposure received from the ingestion of 2 L/day, the default water ingestion value (Patton, 1991). Further discussion of this is provided in Section 5.0 of the BRA (Montgomery Watson 1994).

TABLE 2-16

EQUATIONS AND SAMPLE CALCULATIONS FOR SOIL EXPOSURE AT  
SITE SS-3 (FORMER SP-7), AIRCRAFT WASHRACK AREA  
Homestead Air Reserve Base, Florida

Equation Definitions:

$$\text{SExDo} = \frac{\text{Cs} \times \text{IR} \times \text{EF} \times \text{ED} \times \text{UC1}}{\text{BW} \times \text{AP}}$$

$$\text{SExDd} = \frac{\text{Cs} \times \text{SSA} \times \text{SAR} \times \text{ABS} \times \text{EF} \times \text{ED} \times \text{UC1}}{\text{BW} \times \text{AP}}$$

$$\text{SExDi} = \frac{\text{Cs} \times \text{BR} \times \text{ET} \times \text{EF} \times \text{ED} \times \text{RF} \times (1-G) \times (W/U_t)^3 \times F(x) \text{ (particulates)}}{\text{BW} \times \text{AP} \times Q/C \times \text{UC2}}$$

or

$$\frac{\text{Cs} \times \text{BR} \times \text{ET} \times \text{H} \times \text{EF} \times \text{ED} \times 2 \times \text{Dei} \times \text{Pa} \times \text{UC5/Kd (vapors)}}{\text{BW} \times \text{AP} \times Q/C \times (3.1416 \times \alpha \times \text{ED} \times \text{UC3})^{1/2} \times \text{UC4}}$$

$$\text{ELCR} = (\text{SExDo} \times \text{CSFo}) + (\text{SExDd} \times \text{CSFa}) + (\text{SExDi} \times \text{CSFi})$$

$$\text{HQ} = (\text{SExDo}/\text{RfDo}) + (\text{SExDd}/\text{RfDa}) + (\text{SExDi}/\text{RfDi})$$

where:

ABS Dermal absorption efficiency, constituent-specific (from Table 3-2 BRA 1994).

AP Averaging period (equal to ED x 365 days/year for non-cancer effects; 25,550 days [70 years x 365 days/year] for cancer effects) (USEPA, 1989a).

BR Breathing rate (0.83 m<sup>3</sup>/hour [20 m<sup>3</sup>/day] for residents [USEPA, 1991a]; 2.5 m<sup>3</sup>/hour for base worker (USEPA, 1989b)).

BW Body weight (70 kg for adults; 15 kg for a young child [aged 0 to 6 years]) (USEPA, 1991a).

Cs Constituent concentration in the soil (mg/kg) (maximum detected concentration) (from Table 4-3 BRA 1994).

CSFa Cancer slope factor for dermal exposure, adjusted for absorbed dose (mg/kg-day)<sup>-1</sup> (Table 3-5 BRA 1994).

CSFi Cancer slope factor for inhalation exposure (mg/kg-day)<sup>-1</sup> (Table 3 4 BRA 1994).

CSFo Cancer slope factor for oral exposure (mg/kg-day)<sup>-1</sup> (Table 3-4 BRA 1994).

ED Exposure duration (25 years for base worker; 24 years for an adult resident; 6 years for a child resident [aged 0 to 6 years]) (USEPA, 1991a).

EPEExposure frequency (350 days/year for residents [USEPA, 1991a]; 12 days/year [1 day/month for 12 months per year] for a base worker).

ELCR Excess lifetime cancer risk (unitless).

TABLE 2-16 (continued)

EQUATIONS AND SAMPLE CALCULATIONS FOR SOIL EXPOSURE

AT

SITE SS-3 (FORMER SP-7), AIRCRAFT WASHRACK AREA  
Homestead Air Reserve Base, Florida

ET Exposure time (1 hour/day for a base worker; 24 hours/day for residents).

H Henry's Law Constant (atm-m<sup>3</sup>/mol; constituent specific) (Table 3-6 BRA 1994).

HQ Hazard quotient (unitless).

IR Incidental ingestion rate for soil (50 mg/day for workers; 100 mg/day for an adult resident; 200 mg/day for a child resident [aged 0 to 6 years]) (USEPA, 1991a).

RfDa Reference dose for dermal exposure, adjusted for absorbed dose (mg/kg-day) (Table 3-5 BRA 1994).

RfDi Reference dose for inhalation exposure (mg/kg-day) (Table 3-3 BRA 1994).

RfDo Reference dose for oral exposure (mg/kg-day) (Table 3-3 BRA 1994).

SAR Soil adherence rate (1 mg/cm<sup>2</sup>-day) (USEPA, 1992c).

SExDd Soil exposure dose from dermal contact (mg/kg-day).

SExDi Soil exposure dose from inhalation of particulates or vapors from soil (mg/kg-day).

SExDo Soil exposure dose from incidental ingestion (mg/kg day).

SSA Exposed skin surface area (3,160 cm<sup>2</sup> for adult resident and base worker [USEPA, 1991a]; 3,652 cm<sup>2</sup> for child resident [aged 0 to 6 years] [USEPA, 1989b]).

F(x) Unitless function dependent on W/Ut (0.0497)  
 G Fraction of vegetative cover (unitless) (0)  
 RF Respirable fraction of dust (0.036 g/m2-hr)  
 UC2 Unit conversion 2 (3,600 sec/hr)  
 Ut Equivalent threshold windspeed at a height of 10 meters (12.8 m/sec)  
 Q/C Emission flux per unit concentration (g/m2-sec/kg/m3); calculated as follows:  
     Q/C=  $\exp(Y + 2.92s(Y)) - 1$   
     Y=  $0.1004X - 5.3466$   
          $(X - 11.0509)^2$   
     s(Y)=  $0.02685 \times (0.25 + \text{-----})$   
             26.3608  
     X Natural logarithm of the contiguous area of contamination in m2  
 (9.11) (based on three fourths  
 of a three-acre contaminated area  
         being free of structures)

TABLE 2-16 (continued)

EQUATIONS AND SAMPLE CALCULATIONS FOR SOIL EXPOSURE

AT

SITE SS-3 (FORMER SP-7), AIRCRAFT WASHRACK AREA  
 Homestead Air Reserve Base, Florida

alpha Convenient collection of variables (cm2/sec); calculated as follows:  
      $\alpha = \frac{Dei \times Pa}{Pa + [roe \times (1 - Pa) \times Kd / (UC5 \times H)]}$   
 beta Soil bulk density (1.5 g/cm3)  
 Dei Effective diffusivity (cm2/sec); calculated as follows:  
      $Dei = Di(Pa^{3.33} / Pt^2)$   
 Di Chemical-specific diffusivity in air (cm2/sec)  
 Pa Air-filled porosity (unitless); calculated as follows:  
      $Pa = Pt - (\theta \times \beta)$   
 Pt Total soil porosity (unitless); calculated as follows:  
      $Pt = 1 - (\beta / roe)$   
 roe Soil particulate density (2.65 g/cm3)  
 theta Average soil moisture content (0.1 cm3 water/gram of soil)  
 UC3 Unit conversion 3 (31,500,000 sec/yr)  
 UC4 Unit conversion 4 (0.0001 m2/cm2)  
 UC5 Unit conversion 5 (41 mol/atm-m3) (Hwang and Falco, 1986)

TABLE 2-16 (continued)

EQUATIONS AND SAMPLE CALCULATIONS FOR SOIL

EXPOSURE AT

SITE SS-3 (FORMER SP-7), AIRCRAFT

WASHRACK AREA

Homestead Air Reserve Base,

$$\text{SExDo} = \frac{(5,900 \text{ mg/kg}) \times (200 \text{ mg/day}) \times (350 \text{ days/yr}) \times (6 \text{ yrs}) \times (10^{-6} \text{ kg/mg})}{(15 \text{ kg}) \times (2,190 \text{ days})}$$

$$\text{SExDd} = \frac{(5,900 \text{ mg/kg}) \times (3,652 \text{ cm}^2) \times (1 \text{ mg/cm}^2) \times (0.01) \times (350 \text{ days/yr}) \times (6 \text{ yrs}) \times (10^{-6} \text{ kg/mg})}{(15 \text{ kg}) \times (2,190 \text{ days})}$$

$$\text{SExDi} = \frac{5900 \text{ mg} \times 0.83 \text{ m}^3 \times 24 \text{ hrs} \times 350 \text{ days} \times 6 \text{ yrs} \times 0.036 \text{ m}^8 \times (1-0) \times (4 \text{ m} / 12.8 \text{ m})^3}{1}$$

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$$= 1.4 \times 10^{-6} \text{ mg/kg-day}$$

= 1.5E+00

EQUATIONS AND SAMPLE CALCULATIONS FOR SOIL

SITE SS-3 (FORMER SP-7), AIRCRAFT WASHRACK AREA  
Homestead Air Reserve Base, Florida

$$\text{SExDo} = (3.6 \text{ mg/kg}) \times (50 \text{ mg/day}) \times (12 \text{ days/yr}) \times (25 \text{ yrs}) \times (10^{-6} \text{ kg/mg})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (70 \text{ kg}) \times (25,550 \text{ days}) \\
 = & 3.0 \times 10^{-8} \text{ mg/kg-day} \\
 \text{SExDd} & = (3.6 \text{ mg/kg}) \times (3.160 \text{ cm}^{-2}) \times (1 \text{ mg/cm}^2\text{-day}) \times (0.01) \times (12 \text{ days/yr}) \times \\
 (25 \text{ yrs}) \times (10^{-6} & \text{ kg/mg}) \\
 & (70 \text{ kg}) \times (25,550 \text{ days}) \\
 = & 1.9 \times 10^{-8} \text{ mg/kg-day} \\
 \text{SExDi} & \\
 41\text{-----} & \\
 \text{m}^3 & \text{ (vapor)} = \frac{\text{mg} \quad \text{m}^3 \quad \text{hr} \quad \text{days} \quad \text{cm}^2 \quad \text{atm-m}^3 \quad \text{atm}}{\text{kg} \quad \text{hr} \quad \text{day} \quad \text{yrs} \quad \text{sec} \quad \text{mol} \quad \text{cm}^3} \\
 & \frac{3.6 \times 2.5 \times 1 \times 12 \times (25 \text{ yrs}) \times (2) \times 0.0075 \times (0.28) \times 0.0027}{0.087} \\
 & \frac{\text{g}}{\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{sec}} \times \frac{\text{cm}^2}{(3,1416)} \times \frac{\text{sec}}{0.0012} \times \frac{1/2}{(25 \text{ yrs})} \times \frac{\text{m}^2}{3.15 \times 10^7} \\
 10^{-4} & \text{ ---} \\
 & \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3} \times \frac{\text{sec}}{\text{yr}} \times \frac{\text{cm}^2}{\text{cm}^2} \\
 = & 5.9 \times 10^{-7} \text{ mg/kg-day} \\
 \text{ELCR} & = [(3.0 \times 10^{-8} \text{ mg/kg-day}) \times (7.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kg-day/mg})] + [(1.9 \times 10^{-8} \text{ mg/kg-day}) \times (7.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kg-day/mg})] + \\
 & [(5.9 \times 10^{-7} \text{ mg/kg-day}) \times (1.6 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kg-day/mg})] \\
 = & 1.3 \times 10^{-9}
 \end{aligned}$$

results of human epidemiological studies or chronic animal bioassays to which animal to human extrapolation and uncertainty factors have been applied. The SFs for the carcinogenic contaminants of concern are contained in Tables 2-17 and 2-18.

Other COPCs, including VOCs and BNAs, may cause health problems other than cancer. Reference doses (RfDs) have been developed by EPA for indicating the potential for adverse health effects from exposure to contaminants of concern exhibiting noncarcinogenic effects. RfDs, which are expressed in units of mg/kg-day, are estimates of lifetime daily

exposure levels for humans, including sensitive individuals, that are believed to be safe by EPA. RfDs are derived from human epidemiological studies or animal studies to which uncertainty factors have been applied (e.g., to account for the use of animal data to predict effects on humans). Estimated intakes of COPCs from contaminated media can be compared to their respective RfDs. The RfDs for the noncarcinogenic contaminants of concern are also provided in Table 2-17.

2.7.4 Risk Characterization

The centerpiece of the BRA is the risk characterization, which combines the other components of the evaluation to estimate the overall risk from exposure to site contamination.

Carcinogenic Risk: For cancer causing compounds, risk is a probability that is expressed in scientific notation. For example, an excess lifetime cancer risk of 1x10<sup>-6</sup> means that an individual has an additional 1 in 1,000,000 chance of developing cancer as a result of site-related exposure over an estimated 70 year lifetime. EPA has established a target risk range for DOD and Superfund cleanups of between 1x10<sup>-4</sup> (1 in 10,000) and 1x10<sup>-6</sup>.

The formula used for calculating cancer risks is shown below:

$$\text{Risk} = \text{CDIXSF}$$

Where: Risk = A unitless probability of an individual developing cancer  
 CDI = Chronic daily intake averaged over 70 years (mg/kg-day)  
 SF = Slope-factor expressed as (mg/kg-day)<sup>-1</sup>

Potential current total site risk for an on-site workers (e.g. a mower exposed to soils) results in a total site excess lifetime cancer risk of 1E-09.

TABLE 2-17

REFERENCE DOSES FOR CONSTITUENTS OF CONCERN AT  
 SITE SS-3 (FORMER SP-7), AIRCRAFT WASHRACK AREA  
 Homestead Air Reserve Base, Florida

Reference	Constituent	Oral RfD	Reference	Inhalation RfD
		(mg/kd/day)		(mg/kg/day)
IRIS	VOCs			
	Benzene	NA		5.7E 04

IRIS	Chloroform	1.0E-02	IRIS	NA
IRIS	Ethylbenzene	1.0E-01	IRIS	2.9E-01e
IRIS	2-Hexanone	NA		NA
IRIS	Methylene chloride	6.0E-2	IRIS	8.6E-01
IRIS	Methyl ethyl Ketone	6.0E-01	HEAST	2.8E-01e
IRIS	Styrene	2.0E-01	IRIS	NA
IRIS	Xylenes	2.0E+00	IRIS	NA
IRIS	BNAs			
	Bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate	2.0E-2	IRIS	NA
	Di-n-octylphthalate	2.0E-02	c	NA
	Dibenzofuran	3.0E-02	IRIS	NA
	Fluorene	4.0E-02	IRIS	NA
IRIS	n-Hexane	6.0E-02	IRIS	5.7E-02
	2-Methylnaphthalene	3.0E-02	d	NA
	Naphthalene	4.0E-02	IRIS	NA
	PESTICIDES			
	DDD	5.04E-04	IRIS	NA
	INORGANICS			
	Cadmium(food)b	1.0E-03	IRIS	NA
	Cadmium (water)	5.0E-04	IRIS	NA

References: IRIS, 1993; USEPA, 1992a

- a n-Hexane is used as a surrogate for total recoverable petroleum hydrocarbons and hydrocarbon TICs.
- b The RfD for food should be used when calculating soil exposure.
- c Inferred from Bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate.
- d Inferred from naphthalene.
- e Conversion from RfC.

TABLE 2-18

CANCER SLOPE FACTORS, TUMOR SITES, AND USEPA CANCER CLASSIFICATION  
FOR CONSTITUENTS OF CONCERN AT  
SITE SS-3 (FORMER SITE SP-7), AIRCRAFT WASHRACK AREA  
Homestead Air Reserve Base, Florida

		CSF (mg/kg/day) <sup>-1</sup>		
Tumor site	USEPA			
Constituent		Oral	(Reference)	Inhalation
(Reference)	Oral			
Inhalation	Classification			



VOCs							
leukemia	Bezene		2.9E-02	IRIS	2.9E-02	a	
	leukemia	A					
liver	Chloroform		1.6E-03	IRIS	8.1E-02	b	
	NA	B2					
liver	Methylene chloride		7.5E-03	IRIS	1.6E-03	c	
	lung, liver	B2					
NA	Styrene		NA	NA		NA	
	B2						
BNAs							
liver	Bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate		1.4E-02	IRIS		NA	
	NA	B2					
Metals							
respiratory tract	Cadmium		NAP	IRIS	6.3E+00	d	NA
	B1						
NA	Lead		NA	NA		NA	
	B2						
Pesticides							
liver	DDD		2.4E-01	IRIS		NA	
	NA	B2					

References: IRIS, 1992; USEPA,1992a,b. IRIS, 1993  
mg/kg day Milligrams per kilogram per day.  
NA Not available.  
NAP Not applicable since it is soley carcinogenic by inhalation.  
a Converted from inhalation unit risk 8.3E-06 (æg/cu m) (IRIS).  
b IRIS 11/92.  
c Converted from inhalation unit risk 4.7E-07 (æg/cu m) (IRIS).  
d Converted from inhalation unit risk 1.8E-03 (æg/cu m) (IRIS).

The excess lifetime cancer risk for a hypothetical future adult resident exposed to groundwater at the site was 5E-06. The excess lifetime cancer risk for an adult resident exposed to soils at the site is 2E-7. The excess lifetime cancer risk for an hypothetical future child resident is 5E-7.

Hazards due to Non-carcinogenic Chemicals: For compounds which cause toxic effects other than cancer, EPA compared the exposure point concentration of a contaminant found at the site with a reference dose representing the maximum amount of a chemical a person could be exposed to without experiencing harmful effects. the ratio of the average daily intake to the reference dose is called a hazard quotient (HQ). The formula for calculating the HQ is shown below:

$$\text{Noncancer HQ} = \text{CDI/RfD}$$

where CDI = chronicle daily intake

RfD = reference dose

CDI and RfD are expressed in the same units (mg/kg-day) and represent the same exposure period (i.e., generally chronic, but also subchronic, or short-term).

The hazard index (HI) can be generated by adding the HQs for all contaminants of concern that affect the same target organ (such as the liver) within a medium or across all media to which a given population may reasonably be exposed. In general, EPA considers HI of 1.0 to be the maximum acceptable hazard.

The HI for a current base worker is  $3.9\text{E-}3$ .

The non-cancer HI for hypothetical future adult resident exposure to groundwater above the USEPA risk benchmark of 1. The HI for hypothetical future adult resident exposure to soils ( $1.9\text{E-}1$ ) is below the USEPA risk benchmark of 1. The HI for hypothetical future child resident exposure to soils (1.5) is above the USEPA risk benchmark of 1.

Total Risk. The total site risk for hypothetical future resident exposure is obtained by summing all of the residential exposures considered in the risk assessment, groundwater ingestion by an adult resident, soil exposure by child (6 year period) and adult (24 year period) residents. the combined risk across these on-site exposure media (groundwater and

soils) for a hypothetical future resident results in a total site excess lifetime cancer risk of  $6\text{E-}6$  and an HI 40.2. The carcinogenic total site risk estimate is below the USEPA risk benchmark of  $<10^{-4}$  while the HI exceeds the USEPA benchmark of  $\leq 1$ .

Risk from Lead Exposure. Based on the Integrated Exposure Uptake/Biokinetic (IEUBK) model for lead, hypothetical future sensitive receptors (children age 0 to 6 years) exposed to soils at Site SS-8 would not have blood lead levels that exceed 10 micrograms per deciliter ( $\mu\text{g/dL}$ ) (the blood concentration of concern identified by the CDC) assuming exposure to site concentrations of lead in soil and groundwater.

#### 2.7.5 Development of Remedial Goal Options

Chemicals of concern (COCs) contribute significantly to a use scenario for a receptor that (a) exceeds a  $10^{-4}$  total carcinogenic risk or (b) exceeds an HI of 1 or (c) exceeds a state or federal chemical specific ARAR. Chemicals need not be included if their individual carcinogenic risk contribution is less than  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  or their non-carcinogenic HQ is less than 0.1.

Remedial Goal Options (RGOs) are risk-based cleanup levels: they are developed by combining the intake levels to each chemical by a receptor from all appropriate routes of exposure (i.e., inhalation, ingestion and dermal) and pathways within a scenario and rearranging the site specific CDI equations used in the risk characterization to solve for the concentration term. RGOs are developed for each medium, each land use, and each receptor type.

The RGOs are presented here in tabular form and include cleanup levels for the  $10^{-4}$ ,  $10^{-5}$ , and  $10^{-6}$  risk levels for each COC, medium, and scenario and the HQs of 0.1, 1, and 10 levels as well as any chemical-specific ARARs. A summary of the risk-based RGOs are presented in Tables 2-19 through 2-21.

### 2.7.6 Ecological Risk Assessment

OU-6/Site SS-3 is located southeast of Bikini Boulevard in the approximate center of Homestead AFB. Most of the site is occupied by the large concrete and asphalt pavement of the aircraft wash rack, which is skirted by a maintained lawn of St. Augustine grass and few weedy grasses and lawn weeds. The ecosystem compatible with operation of base is not expected to be the natural ecosystem for South Florida. It is unlikely that animals would

TABLE 2-19  
RISK-BASED REMEDIAL GOAL OPTIONS  
HYPOTHETICAL FUTURE ADULT RESIDENT  
SITE SS-3 (FORMER SP-7), AIRCRAFT WASHRACK AREA  
GROUNDWATER (mg/L)  
Homestead Air Reserve Base, Florida

Florida			EPA
Drinking	HAZARD INDEX	CARCINOGENIC RISK	Maximum

Contaminant	Water						
COMPOUNDS		0.1	1.0	10	1E-06	1E-05	
Level(1)	Standard(1)						
0.001	Benzene	- -	- -	- -	0.0029	0.029	0.005
0.1(a)	Chloroform	0.037	0.3700	3.7000	0.0532	0.532	
0.004	Bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate	0.073	0.730	7.30	0.0061	0.061	
0.700	Ethylbenzene	0.365	3.650	36.500	- -	- -	0.700
10.0	Xylenes	7.30	73.00	730.00	- -	- -	10.0
NS	Di-n-octylphthalate	0.073	0.7300	7.300	- -	- -	
0.010	Fluorene	0.146	1.460	14.60	- -	- -	NS
NS	n-Hexane [a]	0.219	2.190	21.90	- -	- -	NS
NS	2-Methylnaphthalene	0.110	1.100	11.00	- -	- -	
0.01	Naphthalene	0.146	1.460	14.60	- -	- -	NS
0.005	Cadmium	0.0018	0.0180	0.1800	- -	- -	0.005
- - Not applicable (a) as Total Trihalomethanes NS = No Standard (1) units are mg/L							

TABLE 2-20  
 RISK-BASED REMEDIAL GOAL OPTIONS AND FDEP SOIL TARGET LEVELS  
 HYPOTHETICAL FUTURE ADULT RESIDENT  
 SITE SS-3 (FORMER SP-7), AIRCRAFT WASHRACK AREA  
 SOIL (mg/kg)  
 Homestead Air Reserve Base, Florida

FDEP		HAZARD INDEX			CARCINOGENIC RISK		
Soil Target Levels Based	COMPOUNDS	0.1	1.0	10	1E-06	1E-05	1E-04
on a Hazard Index of 1							
10,600	Methylene chloride	1,398	13,980	139,800	15.5	155.0	1,550
	Ethylbenzene	2,014	20,140	201,400	- -	- -	- -

23,400	Methyl ethyl ketone	1,924	19,240	192,400	- -	- -	- -
33,000	Styrene	11,094	110,940	1,109,400	- -	- -	- -
NS	Xylenes	11,094	110 940	1,109,400	- -	- -	- -
93,400	Dibenzofuran	1,620	16,200	162,000	- -	- -	- -
2,010	n-Hexane [a]	3,328	33,280	332,800	- -	- -	- -
30,200	2-Methylnaphthalene	1,621	16,210	162,100	- -	- -	- -
90,000	Naphthalene	2,161	21,610	216,100	- -	- -	- -
9,600							

- - Not applicable

[a] n-Hexane is used as a surrogate for total petroleum hydrocarbons.

TABLE 2-21  
RISK-BASED REMEDIAL GOAL OPTIONS AND FDEP SOIL TARGET

LEVELS		HYPOTHETICAL FUTURE CHILD RESIDENT SITE SS-3 (FORMER SP-7), AIRCRAFT WASHRACK AREA SOIL (mg/kg) Homestead Air Reserve Base, Florida					
FDEP		HAZARD INDEX			CARCINOGENIC RISK		
Soil Target Levels Based COMPOUNDS on a Hazard Index of 1		0.1	1.0	10	1E-06	1E-05	1E-04
3,590	Methylene chloride	296	2,960	29,600	7.55	75.5	755
6,530	Ethylbenzene	462	4,620	46,200	- -	- -	- -
20,500	Methyl ethyl ketone	298	2,980	29,800	- -	- -	- -
NS	Styrene	1,320	13,200	132,000	- -	- -	- -
37,900	Xylenes	1,320	13,200	132,000	- -	- -	- -
307	Dibenzofuran	195	1,950	19,500	- -	- -	- -
4,610	n-Hexane [a]	397	3,970	39,700	- -	- -	- -
	2-Methylnaphthalene	195	1,950	19,500	- -	- -	- -

190							
	Naphthalene	260	2,600	26,000	- -	- -	- -
2,280							

- - Not applicable

[a] n-Hexane is used as a surrogate for total petroleum hydrocarbons.

predominantly inhabit or utilize OU-6 in lieu of nearby natural resource areas (Biscayne National Park to the east, the Everglades to the west, and the surrounding agacultural land). Because of the developed character of this site, and the Base, it does not provide suitable habitat for wildlife thus plants and animals are not likely to contact chemicals present at OU-6/Site SS-3. Site canals are to be more fully addressed in the OU-9 Boundary Canal assessment.

#### 2.7.7 Uncertainties in the Risk Asssessment

The factors that contribute uncertainty to the estimates of exposure concentrations, daily intakes, and toxicity information also contribute uncertainty to the estimates of risks. These factors include:

- ù Chemicals not included in the risk assessment
- ù Exposure pathways not considered
- ù Derivation of exposure point concentration
- ù Intake uncertainty
- ù Toxicological dose response and toxicity values

There are uncertainties associated with summing cancer risks or hazard indices for different chemicals. The cumulative does ignores possible synergism or antagonism among chemicals and differences in mechanisms of action and metabolism.

Lead exposure was evaluated with a model that predicts blood levels based on levels measured in environmental media. Another uncertainty is the faithfulness of this model in reproducing the actual blood levels. Although any pharmackinetic model is subject to uncertainties, the prodicted blood lead level in children (indicating that lead is not a COC) are believed to be a reasonable estimate.

#### 2.8 DESCRIPTION OF ALTERNATIVES

The alternatives analyzed for OU-6/Site SS-3, Aircraft Washrack are presented below. These are numbered to conespond with the numbers in the FS report. The alternatives for

site

clean-up are the following:

- û Alternative 1: No Action with Groundwater Monitoring
- û Alternative 2: Passive LNAPL Recovery, Institutional Controls, and Natural Attenuation
- û Alternative 3: Passive LNAPL Recovery, Bioremediation/Air Sparging, and Institutional Controls
- û Alternative 4: Excavation and Off-Site Thermal Treatment, Disposal of Contaminated Soils, and Natural Attenuation and Institutional

Controls

Each alternative includes long-term groundwater monitoring. Alternative 3 is the only alternative that requires active remediation of the groundwater. These monitoring activities will be conducted to gauge the effectiveness of the selected remedy.

Except for Alternative 1 all alternatives have the potential to meet USEPA remedial action objectives and potentially meet the clean-up goals. It is the time, cost, and certainty in reaching these standards that differentiates the alternatives.

#### 2.8.1 Alternative 1 - No Action with Groundwater Monitoring

The No-Action alternative serves as a "baseline" against which other alternatives are compared. The No-Action alternative is evaluated as required by the NCP, the regulation implementing CERCLA. No additional monitoring wells would be required with this alternative. The existing monitoring wells would be sampled semi-annually for 30 years to monitor groundwater contamination.

Per CERCLA, site reviews would be conducted every 5 years as part of this alternative which allows COCs exceeding EPA target risk ranges to remain onsite. The No-Action alternative is readily implementable; however, the alternative fails to satisfy all of the requirements evaluated except for short-term effectiveness. The estimated present worth cost of this alternative is \$700,000 and assumes a duration of 30 years.

#### 2.8.2 Alternative 2 - Passive LNAPL Recovery, Institutional Controls, and Natural Attenuation

This alternative consists of:

contaminated the span

- Institutional controls to restrict the placement of potable wells in the groundwater near or beneath the site until such time as the protectiveness of the groundwater is reached. It is estimated that protectiveness (i.e., benzene concentrations in groundwater to be <1 µg/l) will be achieved within a 20 year of treatment.

approximately

- Installation of a monitoring/recovery well with an oleophilic bailer 25 feet northeast of SP7-MW-0016.

will be

- Passive LNAPL recovery at an existing monitoring well (SP7-MW-0016) using an oleophilic bailer. The final beneficial use/disposal of the recovered LNAPL identified by the Base.

confirms

- A groundwater monitoring program with a five year review until the data that OU-6 is not a threat to human health or the environments.

LNAPL the or

There is an estimated, maximum volume of 5,600 gallons of LNAPL at the site. The is the likely source of soil and groundwater contamination. Of specific concern is concentration of benzene, 38 µg/L in the one well where LNAPL was observed in 1993. LNAPL will be removed with two recovery wells. Because this alternative removes the mobile portion of the potential source of groundwater contamination (i.e., LNAPL), the concentration of benzene is expected to decrease with time more rapidly than with the No-Action alternative. The recovered LNAPL will be evaluated for possible recycling disposal alternatives.

duration of

The estimated present worth cost of this alternative is \$740,000 and assumes a 20 years.

#### 2.8.3 Alternative 3 - Passive LNAPL Recovery, Bioremediation/Air Sparging, and Institutional Controls

This alternative consists of:

wells in

- Passive LNAPL recovery as described in Alternative 2.
- Implementation of institutional controls to restrict the placement of potable the contaminated groundwater near or beneath the site until such time as the protectiveness of the groundwater is reached.
- A recommended pilot-test of the innovative sparging technology.



- to
- û Groundwater monitoring as described in Alternative 1 with additional sampling to evaluate the effectiveness of the air sparging system.
  - û Installation of 10 air sparging wells within the contaminated groundwater plume.
  - û A groundwater monitoring program with a five year review until the data confirms that OU-6 is not a threat to human health or the environments.

gaining

contaminant

natural

special

compounds.

Air sparging and enhanced bioremediation technologies would be implemented after LNAPL recovery is no longer practicable. Air sparging is a relatively new technology increased acceptance and application. It simply involves injecting air below the plume to "strip off" volatile contaminants from groundwater and soil and enhance bioremediation processes by supplying oxygen to the subsurface. Nutrients and/or biological cultures may be added to enhance the bioremediation of nonvolatile compounds.

of

\$590,000

This alternative was included in the review to meet CERCLA requirements for evaluation of innovative technologies. The estimated present worth cost of this alternative is \$590,000 with a 5 year duration.

#### 2.8.4 Alternative 4 - Excavation and Off-Site Thermal Treatment, Disposal of Contaminated Soils, and Natural Attenuation and Institutional Controls of Groundwater

This alternative consists of:

- contaminated
- the
- span of
- û Institutional controls to restrict the placement of potable wells in the groundwater near or beneath the site until such time as the protectiveness of groundwater is reached. It is estimated that protectiveness (i.e., benzene concentrations in groundwater to be <1 µg/l) will be achieved within a 5-year treatment.
  - û Excavation of soil/rock to meet performance standards, approximately 2,100 cubic yards and replacement with equal volume of fill material.
  - û Off-site thermal treatment and disposal of excavated soil.
  - û LNAPL recovery during soil excavation using a skimmer pump.

û Sending LNAPL to off-site disposal through energy recovery.

û Disposal of water collected during excavation meeting standards required by the POTW at a POTW. If the water does not meet performance standards, treatment need to occur before disposal.

û Groundwater monitoring with five year site review until contaminants are at levels considered protective of human health and the environment, as described in Alternative 1.

Soil will be excavated to a depth of 6 feet over the inferred aerial extent of soil contamination (approximately 125 feet by 75 feet). Field screening supported by laboratory analyses will be conducted to verify, that soil meeting the performance standards is encountered at the bottom and extent of excavation.

An oil skimmer will be employed during the excavation to collect the estimated 5,600 gallons of LNAPL. The soil will be sent to an approved thermal treatment facility.

LNAPL will be removed to an energy recovery facility and any water generated during removal operations disposed of through a POTW.

The sampling and analysis for soils show that the only constituents of concern at Site SS-3 are Naphthalene and 2-Methylnapthalene. In accordance with Chapter 62-775 Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), the applicable performance standard for soil cleanup shall be 1 mg/kg for PAHs and 50 mg/kg for TRPH. Since the lateral and vertical extent of soil above, no contamination will be removed to conform to the applicable State standard referred to in the deed, access and land development restrictions are contemplated to be enacted and/or enforced by deed.

This alternative also includes semiannual sampling of the site's monitoring wells for two years to monitor the effect of removing the source (LNAPL) of groundwater contamination.

The samples would be analyzed for the BNAs and VOAs. Applicable performance standards and guidance for monitoring of the groundwater include Federal and State groundwater MCLs (see Table 2-19). Should the monitoring program indicate that contaminant levels

not naturally attenuated to performance standards described in Chapters 62-550 F.A.C. (Drinking Water Standards), active groundwater remediation will be contemplated. Groundwater use restrictions enacted by deed are expected until groundwater at Site

conforms with the performance standards described in Chapters 62-550 and 62-520 (Groundwater Standards and Classification) F.A.C.

The estimated present worth cost of this alternative is \$690,000 with a 5 year duration.

## 2.9 SUMMARY OF COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF ALTERNATIVES

The comparison is based on the nine key criteria required under the National Contingency Plan and CERCLA Section 121 for use in evaluation of remedial alternatives by EPA. The nine criteria are as follows:

- ù Overall protection of human health and the environment.
- ù Compliance with Applicable or Relevant and Appropriate Requirements.
- ù Long term effectiveness and permanence.
- ù Reduction of toxicity, mobility, or volume.
- ù Short-term effectiveness.
- ù Implementability.
- ù Cost.
- ù State acceptance.

- ù Community acceptance.

### 2.9.1 Overall Protection of Human Health and Environment

Alternatives 3 & 4 meet Remedial Action Objectives for the site and provide protection of human health and the environment. Alternative 4 provides the best protection through excavation of the site. While Alternative 2 does not satisfy the statutory preference for treatment, this alternative effectively protects human health and the environment through the utilization of institutional controls that would limit exposure to site contaminants. Alternative 1 would have no treatment or monitoring mechanism and, therefore, would not be protective of human health and the environment.

### 2.9.2 Compliance with Federal/State Standards

There are no ARARs for soil/weathered bedrock contamination at OU-6/Site SS-3. The ARARs for groundwater contamination at OU-6/Site SS-3 are the state and federal MCLs, the federal non-zero MCLGs, the state SMCLs, and the Florida 17-770 regulations. Benzene is the only contaminant found in the groundwater at OU-6/Site SS-3 at a concentration above either its state or federal ARAR. Benzene was detected in the groundwater sample collected in 1993, from the one well that contained LNAPL, at a concentration of 70 µg/L, which is above the state MCL of 1 µg/L and the federal MCL of 5 µg/L. LNAPL, a likely source

for the benzene, is present in the pore space vadose zone. The more soluble constituents of the LNAPL and the high percent constituents of the LNAPL composition are slowly dissolving into the groundwater thereby providing a continuing source of groundwater contamination.

Alternative 3 and 4 meet the ARAR objective for OU-6.

It is possible that the excavated soil at OU-6 may be hazardous waste as defined by toxic characteristic leaching procedure (TCLP). As TCLP has not been conducted at this site, several action specific ARARs may be applied to the Site. These ARARs would include Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) land disposal restrictions (40 CFR 268), RCRA Standards Applicable to Transporters of Hazardous Waste (40 CFR 263), Department of Transportation Rules for Transporting of Hazardous Waste (49 CFR 107, 171, 173, 178, and 179), and Standards for Owners and Operators of Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage, and Disposal Facilities (40 CFR 264).

TABLE 2-22

SUMMARY OF SCREENING OF REMEDIAL ALTERNATIVES FOR SITE

SS-3

Present Worth	Alternative	Effectiveness
Implementability	Cost	
1 - No Action with Includes groundwater monitoring \$ 710,000 Groundwater and 5-year site reviews. Easily Monitoring implementable.	No reduction of MTVa of contaminants.	
2 - LNAPL Recovery, Includes deed restrictions, \$ 740,000 Institutional Controls, groundwater monitoring and 5-year and Natural Attenuation site reviews. LNAPL recovery is easily implementable.	Meets USEPA remedial action objectives  (providing groundwater is not considered a  source for potable water) but does not meet cleanup goals  Reduces MTV of hydrocarbons in soils and  groundwater. Meets USEPA remedial action  objectives (providing groundwater is not considered a source for potable water) and	

3 - LNAPL Recovery,  
 Uses conventional equipment  
 and \$ 590,000  
 Bioremediation/Air  
 demonstrated technologies.  
 Fouling  
 Sparging, and  
 of the wells and/or plugging of the  
 Institutional Controls  
 aquifer could occur. Requires pilot  
 test; may be moderately difficult to  
 mplement. Could potentially  
 emediate site in 3 years.

4 - Excavation and Off-site  
 Uses conventional equipment  
 and \$ 677,000  
 Thermal Treatment,  
 proven methods. Easily  
 Disposal of  
 implementable. Excavation could be  
 Contaminated Soils,  
 implemented within 6 months;  
 may  
 Natural Attenuation,  
 require 5 years for natural  
 and Institutional  
 attenuation of dissolved benzene.  
 Controls.

(a-MTV=mobility, toxicity, and volume)

uses deed restrictions to meet cleanup goals.  
 Reduces MTV of hydrocarbons in soils and  
 groundwater. Meets USEPA remedial action  
 objectives and meets cleanup goals. Air  
 sparging may release harmful vapors to  
 atmosphere.  
 Reduces MTV of hydrocarbons in soils and  
 groundwater. Meets USEPA remedial action  
 objectives and relies on natural attenuation of  
 benzene in groundwater to meet cleanup  
 goals.

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TABLE 2-23			
COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF REMEDIAL ALTERNATIVES, OU-6/SITE SS-3			
Remedial Alternative			
Excavation and			
Recovery,	Off-Site Thermal		LNAPL
iation/ Air	Treatment, Disposal,		Bioremed
Sparging, and	Natural Attenuation	LNAPL Recovery,	
		Institutional Controls,	

Institutional Controls	and Institutional Evaluation Criteria Controls	No Action	and Natural Attenuation
O	Overall Protection of Human Health & Environment		
O	Compliance w/ARARs		
O	Long-Term Effectiveness and Permanence		
*	Reduction of Toxicity, Mobility, or Volume		O
O	Short-Term Effectiveness	O	O
Difficult	Implementability Easy	Easy	Easy
\$590,000	Estimated Present Worth \$677,000	\$710,000	\$740,000
	Does not meet criterion O Meets criterion * Has potential to meet criterion		

### 2.9.3 Long-term Effectiveness and Permanence

SS-3. Alternative 4 provides the best long-term effectiveness and permanence for OU-6/Site. Alternative 3 also provides long-term effectiveness and permanence. However, not as much as Alternative 4. Alternative 2 utilizes institutional controls, which though effective, would need to be evaluated during the five-year review. Alternative 1 does not change the conditions of OU-6; therefore, any contaminants remaining at the site would not be expected to decrease significantly over time.

### 2.9.4 Treatment to Reduce Toxicity, Mobility or Volume

both deed Alternative 4 would reduce the mobility of the contaminants through excavation of the contaminants from the Site and off-site treatment and disposal. Alternatives 2 and 3 reduce the mobility, toxicity, or volume of the contaminants while Alternative 2 uses

reductions to meet clean-up goals. Alternative 1 would not provide any additional in toxicity, mobility or volume of the contaminants.

#### 2.9.5 Short-term Effectiveness

Alternative 1 provides no short term effectiveness and could represent excess risk at the site for thirty years or more.

Alternative 2 provides immediate protection through the implementation of the institutional controls. Alternative 2 could possibly meet MCLs within 15 to 20 years. This is assuming that an average of one gallon per day of LNAPL is removed from the well, total recovery at 15 years and then another five years for benzene concentrations to decrease below 1 µg/l.

It is anticipated that under Alternative 3, passive LNAPL recovery may be completed within two years and that the concentration of dissolved benzene will be below the MCL of 1 µg/l within one year of air sparging. The total timeframe for the site to achieve protection is estimated to be between three and five years.

The excavation associated with Alternative 4 is expected to be completed within one year. The excavation of soil may impose risks by disturbing the contamination, however, it would not be expected to pose unacceptable short-term environmental or health hazards, which could not be controlled. The alternative is expected to achieve attainment five years after

excavation is complete. Total time for the site to attain protectiveness is estimated at six years.

#### 2.9.6 Implementability

Alternative 1 and 2 would be easy to implement. Alternative 4 would be easy to moderately easy to implement. Alternative 3 would be difficult to implement.

#### 2.9.7 Cost

All alternatives are moderately expensive with Alternative 4 having the best opportunity for long-term effectiveness and permanence given the relatively small differences in cost between alternatives.

#### 2.9.8 State and Community Acceptance

The no action alternative is not acceptable to the state and community because it does not actively remediate the groundwater or the source of contamination. Alternative 2 and 3 may be acceptable to the state and community because it removes the LNAPL at the site. Alternative 4 has been accepted by the state and community because it offers a permanent solution and is protective of human health and the environment. Community concerns were addressed during the public meeting and have been summarized in the "Responsive Summary of this ROD. This remedy is acceptable by both the state and community.

#### 2.10 SELECTED REMEDY

Based on consideration of the requirements of CERCLA, the detailed evaluation of the alternatives and public comments, the USAF in concurrence with the USEPA and the State of Florida has determined the selected remedy for OU-6/Site SS-3 to be Alternative 4 - Excavation and Off-Site Thermal Treatment and Disposal of Contaminated Soils. It is the most reliable and expedient solution identified. It offers a permanent solution that is protective of human health and the environment. It will serve to protect the groundwater from further contamination. The NCP (40 CFR 300) views groundwater as a valuable resource to be protected and restored to beneficial use wherever possible.

The major components of the selected remedy include:

- by RCRA treat the
  - û Excavation of soil/rock to meet performance standard from an approximate 125 ft 75 ft by 6 ft (2,100 cubic yards) area. The soil is slated for disposal at a permitted facility. The facility will use thermal desorption technology to waste. Fill material will be brought to the site to grade the area.
- recycling)
  - û During the excavation an approximate maximum of 5,600 gallons of LNAPL is expected to be recovered. The LNAPL is slated for energy recovery (i.e., at an approved facility to be decided.
- natural
  - û Groundwater monitoring will be performed at the site for 5 years to show that attenuation will meet performance standards (clean-up levels) applicable to contaminated groundwater.
- û If after the five year review, the selected remedial action has not restored the condition of OU-6 to a level that assures protection of human health and the environment, the EPA, FDEP, DERM, and the Air Force will evaluate the need for further action.



## 2.11 STATUTORY DETERMINATIONS

Under its legal authorities, EPA's primary responsibility at Superfund sites is to undertake remedial actions that achieve adequate protection of human health and the environment. In addition, Section 121 of CERCLA establishes several other statutory requirements and preferences. These specify that when complete, the selected remedial action for this site must comply with applicable or relevant and appropriate environmental standards established under Federal and State environmental laws unless a statutory waiver is justified. The selected remedy also must be cost-effective and utilize permanent solutions and alternative treatment technologies or resource recovery technologies to the maximum extent practicable. Finally, the statute includes a preference for remedies that employ treatment that permanently and significantly reduce the volume, toxicity, or mobility of hazardous wastes as their principal element. The selection of Alternative 4 - Excavation and Off-Site Thermal Treatment of Contaminated Soils at OU-6, Aircraft Washrack meets the statutory determinations for this site.

## 2.12 DOCUMENTATION OF SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

The PP was released for public comment in November 1994. The PP identified Alternative 4 Excavation and Off-Site Thermal Treatment, Disposal of Contaminated Soils, and Natural Attenuation and Institutional Controls as the preferred alternative for Remedial Action at OU-6/Site SS-3. No changes were necessary to the alternative from public input. However, the title of the alternative was expanded from Excavation and Off-Site Thermal Treatment and Disposal of Contaminated Soils to its present name to represent the alternative more accurately.

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The responsiveness summary serves three purposes. First, it provides regulators with information about the community preferences regarding both the remedial alternatives

and

general concerns about Operable Unit No. 6, Homestead AFB. Second, the responsiveness summary documents how public comments have been considered and integrated into the decision making process. Third, it provides EPA with the opportunity to respond to

each

comment submitted by the public on the record.

The Remedial Investigation/Baseline Risk Assessment report and the Proposed Plan for Homestead AFB OU-6/Site SS-3 were released to the public in June and November 1994, respectively. These documents were made available to the public in both the

administrative

record and an information repository maintained at the Miami-Dade Community College Library.

A public comment period was held from November 8, 1994 to December 22, 1994 as part of the community relations plan for Operable Unit No. 6. Additionally, a public meeting

was

held on Tuesday, November 29, 1994, at 7:00 pm at South Dade High School. A public notice was published in the Miami Herald and South Dade News Leader on Tuesday, November 22, 1994. At this meeting, the USAF, in coordination with EPA Region IV, FDEP, and DERM were prepared to discuss the investigation, results of the Baseline

Risk

Assessment, and the Preferred Alternative described in the Proposed Plan.

No comments were made during the public comment period regarding the preferred

remedial

alternative. However, several comments were made during the public meeting which addressed OU-1, which was also addressed during the public meeting on November 29, 1994.